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THE HISTORY OF

TOTNES PRIORY AND MEDIEVAL TOWN

TO THE MEMORY OF

THE PAST CHIEF MAGISTRATES OF ONE OF THE MOST ANCIENT BOROUGHS OF ENGLAND

AND

TO HIS WORSHIP

THE PRESENT MAYOR OF TOTNES

EDWARD WINDEATT, ESQ., C.C., J.P.

THAN WHOM NO ONE HAS DONE MORE TO PRESERVE THE RECORDS OF THE PAST IN MONUMENT, MUNIMENT AND TRADITION CONCERNING HIS NATIVE TOWN, AND BY WHOSE KIND ASSISTANCE THE MEDIEVAL RECORDS IN POSSESSION OF THE MUNICIPALITY ARE INCLUDED IN THE PRESENT WORK, IN GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF WHICH THESE VOLUMES ARE INSCRIBED

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PREFACE

PROMPTED by the discovery of original parchment records not hitherto known of or available to historians these volumes are rather the result of a desire to collect material for the history of one of the most interesting parts of our county than an attempt by the author to assume the role of historian. The historical summary and digest of fact, with illustrations and index, are delegated to a second volume. The initial result is comprised in this, the first volume, which, to the casual reader, may seem full of mis-print, mis-spelling and omission. The nature of the work, i.e., transcription of documents which few can read and the laborious deciphering of the Guild Rolls has had to be undertaken single-handed and necessarily without revision by others, but the author can only plead that he has spared neither patience nor time in order to secure accuracy, and that apparent errors are a true reproduction of the original, the few inevitable mistakes subsequently detected are noted under "Corrigenda" at the end of the volume.

For any use or interest these volumes may be to Devonians or students of one of the oldest burghs in England, thanks are primarily due to W. G. Hole, Esquire, of Bovey Tracey, who kindly entrusted the whole of a large collection of his early family deeds to the author, and also to Robert Kitson, Esquire, of Hengrave, who first drew attention to the existence of the deeds which proved on examination to be the original charters of Totnes Priory.

From the appearance of the deeds when first noticed by Mr. Kitson they had probably not been examined since the days when they passed, with the property of the monks, into lay hands. A small wooden box 8in. by 6½in. by 4½in. was found to contain one hundred and twenty-nine parchment deeds. The box was tied or hinged together by iron wire which, except the two pieces acting as hinges to the lid, had rusted, so that the sides and bottom of the box were all separate. On the wooden lid of the box is written in ink,

"A number of small and very ancient deeds respecting Totton and Kingsweare." In another hand, probably written shortly after the dissolution of the monasteries, "Non multum valent" and "Tho. Tom," also a few more words or signs undecipherable. The motto, "Not worth much," in the legal sense in which it was written, perhaps 370 years ago, must give way to the historian's estimate, "invaluable because irreplaceable." As regards the endorsement, "Tho. Tom," attention can only be drawn to the fact that a family named Thomas or Tomas lived in Totnes, and that Thoma Tomas was probably the legal adviser of a subsequent owner who thus recorded the sixteenth century valuation of the box and its contents. Between 1381 and 1397 the Archdeacon of Cornwall delivered to the care of Bishop Thomas de Brantingham at Clist "one box containing the charters of the houses of the Trinity, of Tottonia and of Cryditonia" (see *Appendix*, Vol. II), which, though of course not referring to the Priory deeds, which probably never left the Prior's care, illustrates the fact that in the fourteenth century deeds were kept in "boxes," and probably similar to the example which has come down to us. In the sixteenth century records and such articles of value were frequently preserved in small boxes made of leather and lined very often with the leaves of early paper books. Examples of such boxes are to be found in the Municipal collections of Totnes and Dartmouth; Mr. Jacob Ley, of Dawlish, has one, and a small oval shaped box was found among Mr. Hole's collection containing seven deeds and the broken parts of a green seal. Several other small deeds, which had probably formed part of the original contents of the wooden box, were found in the iron chest which contained probably over one thousand documents. Mr. Hole most generously allowed the author to arrange these chronologically, and subsequently select two hundred and seven, including the contents of the small box, which more directly relate to the history of Totnes Priory and Monasticon generally, or throw light upon the early history of the town. Several thus selected were never the property of the monks, but explain the subsequent disposition of the Priory and its possessions.

Considerable difficulty was experienced in arranging the parchments chronologically, as all the earlier deeds are undated, and only after transcription of the abbreviated legal Latin, and translation, and the subsequent careful collation of witnesses and contents, was the owner's sanction asked to number them, for identification, in the order arranged: even then a re-arrangement of some was suggested by subsequent research and information obtained from other sources, and as a final result it is impossible to claim that the chronological position of all the deeds is rightly assigned:

everywhere possible reasons are given for the arrangement, and it is hoped that other such early records may some day be brought to light to confirm or correct the present order.

The identification of witnesses and the explanation of many transactions and the localities they relate to seemed only possible by making a complete "*collectanea*" of all information obtainable concerning the medieval history of Totnes, and for this purpose the Municipal collections of the ancient boroughs of Devon were resorted to.

The author most gratefully acknowledges the courtesy extended and assistance given him by Mr. H. Lloyd Parry, B.A., B.Sc., LL.B., Town Clerk of Exeter, and his assistant, Mr. Gay; by Mr. Sydney J. Pope, Town Clerk of Dartmouth; and the kind co-operation and interest shown in the whole work by His Worship the Mayor of Totnes, Alderman Edward Windeatt, C.C., J.P., and Mr. George E. Windeatt, Town Clerk, and their assistants. His Worship the Mayor of Lostwithiel and the Town Clerk most kindly allowed the author to examine the original twelfth century charter of Robertus de Cardinan.

In addition to information culled from the nine volumes of the Episcopal Registers of the Diocese of Exeter, a monument to the patient work of the late Prebendary F. C. Hingeston-Randolph, M.A., the author was privileged to consult the Calendar of Deeds in possession of the Dean and Chapter of Exeter, and, through the kindness of the Registrar and Mr. Thomas W. Burch, was permitted to spend many days examining the later pre-reformation Bishops' Registers not yet transcribed and published; the courtesy and kindness of Mr. William H. Bowers, in whose office the author was privileged to work, rendered the task of perusing the records easy and pleasant. The City Librarian, Mr. H. Tapley-Soper, F.R.H.S., rendered ever ready assistance in consulting the contents of the Exeter Public Library. The authorities at the British Museum and the Public Record Office offered every facility and help.

The following kindly assisted the work by allowing the author to inspect deeds in their possession. His Grace the Duke of Somerset; Mrs. E. P. Cornish Bowden, of Blackhall; Oxley Durant Parker, Esquire, of Sharpham; Jacob Ley, Esquire, of The Rise, Dawlish; Stanley Cary, Esquire, of Follaton; Lieut.-Colonel Dacres W. Wise, of Alleron, Loddeswell, and others. To the Vicar of Totnes, the Rev. W. T. Wellacott, and to many of the inhabitants the author is indebted for kind sympathy and interest displayed, and especially to the Misses Davidson, of The Priory House, who facilitated the examination of the ancient undercroft of their dwelling

and the explanation of what had long been thought to be a subterranean passage from there to the Priory.

A very long list of friends would have to be added to record the many instances of help and interest in the work profferred. The Vicar of Brixham, the Rev. R. W. Perry Circuitt, most kindly assisted enquiry concerning his church, which the Priors of Totnes held for 400 years, and thanks to the courtesy of Mr. Christopher Elliot, who continues to-day to hold the post of churchwarden held by "Willelmus Elyott" in 1447, and his ancestors possibly years, if not centuries, before that, the author was enabled to transcribe twenty-six pre-reformation deeds preserved among the parish archives; these, as they have not been previously transcribed, the author hopes to include in the *Appendix* in Vol. II. Mr. W. Warren, churchwarden of Churston, identified some place names and shared a generous interest in his charge which many must have gratefully experienced. Again, many names, for no want of gratitude, must be omitted, but to one the author may ask the reader's indulgence to render well-deserved tribute: the weary work of indexing so many thousands of names has only been made possible by the help and encouragement of the author's loving companion in life for over twenty years.

CHELSTON, TORQUAY,
October 1913.

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OF
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UNLESS otherwise stated the charters and muniments, from which extracts are given, are in Latin.

The translations are abbreviated, all unnecessary legal phraseology being omitted, but care has been taken to record all names of persons and places, dates, and events, as well as any unusual spelling or rendering of words and phrases which can be of possible interest or use to students.

All names are given in the actual spelling of the original, no attempt being made to anglicise or substitute the modern rendering of a name, which is so often fatal to correct identification. Christian names are generally written in full, "Ric" and "Will" appearing as "Ricardus" and "Willelmus," etc.

Wherever, owing to the condition of original parchment or writing or inaccuracy of the scribe, the interpretation is dubious, attention is drawn thereto by a note of interrogation.

The abbreviations used are as follows:

Tot. Pr. Deed. Totnes Priory Deed. These refer to 207 documents transcribed from the collection of W. G. Hole, Esquire: numbered i-ccvii.

Cart. Thorre Abbey. The Cartulary of Thorre Abbey in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin, transcribed by Hugh R. Watkin.

Tot. Mun. Deed. Totnes Municipal Deed. These include Rolls of the Merchant Guild and Court Rolls, Charters and other muniments.

Ex. Mun. Deed. Exeter Municipal Deed.

Dart. Mun. Deed. Dartmouth Municipal Deed.

D. & C. Notes and Queries. Devon and Cornwall Notes and Queries.

Trans. D. Assoc. Transactions of the Devonshire Association.

Mon. Dioc. Exon. Monasticon Diocesis Exoniensis, by G. Oliver, D.D.

Reg. Bp—. Episcopal Register of the Diocese of Exeter, transcribed by Rev. F. C. Hingeston-Randolph.

Feet of Fines, Devon. Feet of Fines, Co. Devon, pub. by Devon and Cornwall Record Society.

Not. Mon. Tanner. Notitia Monastica by Bp. Thomas Tanner.

B. M. Add. MSS. British Museum Additional MSS.

1088.
Tot. Pr. Deed i.

THE GIFT OF IUHELLUS FILIUS ALUREDI

ORIGINAL CHARTER

(The above title is endorsed in Latin on original parchment in the collection of W. G. Hole, Esquire).

To all the worshippers of the holy Church of God we wish it to be made known that Iuhellus son of Aluuredus has given to God and to the holy martyrs Sergius and Bachus, and to the Abbat of the place and to domnus Tetbaldus the monk, who was present there on behalf of all the brethren, the church of St. Mary of Tottenes with all belongings of the church that is to say together with the fief of Hubertus the priest and of Anschitillus the priest and of Suvetinus the priest and of Ansgotus the priest and of the fiefs of Rodbertus the turner and the land which is below the church of St. Mary whoever was then occupying it.

Which although others were holding of him he promised to make over wholly and peacefully to the monks the land and meadows as well as that private land which he gave them and the tithe of the proceeds (*exiture*) of the town and one sluice (*unam selusam ad piscandum*) for fishing opposite the burgh (*coram burgo*) with the fisherman.

He gave moreover to the service of the church four copes to surplices (*cappas de pallio*), and one surplice (*pallium*) for service at the altar and two tapestries (*dosallos*=hangings) and one white garb (*paratum*) and one silver gilt cross, and two tables with the Ten Commandments (*duo ligna dominica*).

He made indeed the gift on behalf of William, King of the English, and on behalf of the Queen his wife and on behalf of their sons and daughters from whom he had had honour that the Lord should keep them safe and sound and give victory over their enemies and after the course of this life they should reach eternal heritage.

He made also this gift for himself and for the souls of his father and mother and of his brother Rodbertus, and of their ancestors living and dead.

He gave therefore this gift at the request and discretion of domnus Tetbaldus, monk of St. Sergius, complete and free from any bond which may restrain him and he transferred the church to domnus Tetbaldus by means of the key of the monastery and the rope of the bell (*chordam signi*), and placed the gift with his own dagger upon the altar.

He made also this gift before a number of men of good repute whose real names are:

1 Martinus de Vvalis (Martin of Wales, Martin de Turribus died according to some writers 1089. (*Hist. of S. Dogmael's*, fo. 27).

1088. THE CHARTER OF IUHELLUS FILIUS ALUREDI

CONTEMPORARY RECORD

(as recorded in the *Chartularium monasterii S. Sergii Andegavensis* preserved in the *Bibliotheque Nationale*, Paris, 3/*MS.* lat. 5446, fo. 269, copied by Dugdale and included by Oliver in *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, p. 241).

To all the worshippers of the holy Church of God we wish it to be made known that Iuhellus filius Aluredi has given to God and to the holy martyrs Sergius and Bachus and to the Abbat of the place and to domnus Tetbaldus the monk, who was there present on behalf of all the brethren, the church of St. Mary "de Toteneio" with all things pertaining to the said church and the tithe of all his manors and of the valuation of the whole borough and of the whole tithe of all revenues from Totenesium. And he included this in his gift that if by gift or sale he should part with any of his manors the tithe should unfailingly be retained for the saints. He gave also two pieces of land which are below the castle Foletona and Grestona with the freemen and serfs and opposite the burgh a certain weir (*exclusam*) with a fishery—and the Saturday's yield of two of his fisheries that is of Asprinton (Ashprington) and Corneud (Cornworthy) and the tithe of his cheeses, young cattle, sheep, wool, young pigs, and of all his substance.

Moreover he gave to the aforementioned saints the field which is below the church, namely that part which he held for his own use (*in manu sua*) and what others have in the same field he promised to give to the same saints, with which he gave the land of the priest Seutinus and the land of the priest Ansquitillus which Robert the Turner (*Tornator*) held, together with the chapel of Saint Peter, and he sanctioned the grant of whatever his men should give to Saint Sergius and the Blessed Mary on condition that they should not omit service due.

He made this gift on behalf of William King of the English, from whom he had received that honour, that God might keep him safe and sound and after the course of this life attain eternal life.

He made this gift also for himself and for the souls of his antecedents that is of his father and mother and of his brother Rotbertus and of all his relations living and dead. Iuhellus gave all these things without any reservation just as it is said, to God and to Saint Sergius complete and free into the hand of domnus Tetbaldus; he transferred the church to him by means of the key of the monastery and the rope of the bell, and placed the gift with his own dagger upon the altar.

He made this gift also in the presence of many men of good repute, whose real names are:

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2 Rogerus senescallus.
3 Ansgotius presbyter.
4 Rogerius presbyter.
5 Hubertus presbyter.
6 Anschitillus presbyter.
7 Torgis de la forest.
8 Oddo senescallus.
9 Rodbertus filius D(avidi).
10 Godselmus dechinum (probably "de Caen." If meant for dean it would be decanus, and the office was only instituted by Bishop Brewer, 1224).
11 Hubertus frater ejus.
12 Rodbertus de Bruelia.
13 Gaufridus senescallus.
14 Garinus dispensator.
15 Radulfus malban.
16 Rodbertus torneator (tornator=the turner).
17 Godefridus filius Achardi.
18 Raynaldus Durandus.
19 Rogerius homo bodini dever (the servant of Bodin or Bauduin de Ver or Vere.)
20 Herveus Havenellus.
21 Rodbertus decuria.
22 Anschitillus duxe. (An Anschitillus held the manor of Luscome, next entry to Dertrintone in Domesday).
23 Garinus, and 24 Gaufridus, and 25 Raynaldus, men of St. Sergius, and many others (probably from the mother house, attendants upon domnus Tetbaldus).

Thereupon Hubertus and Anschitillus the priests of the fiefs which they formerly held of Iuhellus humbly petitioned domnus Tetbaldus, who represented the Abbat and brethren, that the fief which they formerly held should be granted to them on condition that they should be subject to St. Sergius and to the Abbat and to all the brethren and in all things be faithful and fit chaplains, which he granted them on the entreaty of the lord Iuhellus before the above-mentioned witnesses, and re-robed them with his own hand.

(In a smaller hand-writing is added at the bottom of the parchment)

In the manors of Rogerus we have various tithes. (This doubtless refers already to the new owner, Rogerus de Nonant, a further suggestion that the transfer of the manor took place very soon after the foundation charter of Iuhellus).

At Bradefort two parts of the tithes of the year's increase from the

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1 Martinus de Walis.
2 Richardus his man.
3 Rogerius the seneschal.
4 Ansgotus the priest.
5 Rogerius the priest.
6 Hubertus the priest.
7 Ansquitillus the priest.
8 Turgis the soldier of la Forest.
9 Odo the seneschal.
10 Warinus the steward (*dispensator*).
11 Radulfus malban.
12 Rotbertus the turner (*tornator*).
13 Godefredus, son of Achardus.
14 Rainaldus Durandus.
15 Rogerius the man of Dalinus de Ver. (This is given as Bodin de Ver by another transcriber in Paris, showing that Dugdale is not correct).
16 Warinus, and 17 Gaufridus, and 18 Rainaldus, men of Saint Sergius, and many others.

Thereupon Hubertus and Anschitillus priests of the fiefs which they formerly held from Iuhellus humbly petitioned from lord Tetbaldus, who was there representing the Abbat and all the brethren, that he would grant them the fee which they formerly held of Iuhellus on such condition that they should be subject to Saint Sergius and to the Abbat and all the brethren and in every respect faithful and fit chaplains. Which on the entreaty of lord Iuhellus in the presence of the aforementioned witnesses he granted them and re-robed them with his own hand.

On the death of King Willielmus his son Willielmus succeeded to the Kingdom and Iuhellus de Totenesium being expelled he gave his inheritance to Rogerius de Nonant, which Rogerius at first inflicted many wrongs on the monks, but afterwards on the intervention of the King himself confirmed all to Saint Sergius just in the same words as Iuhellus and received from the monks twenty pounds in money and his wife half a mark of gold.

It happened however that the same King came to Normandy and with him the identical Rogerius. The lord Abbat at that time Acchardus having an audience of the King asked the King on the intercession of Rogerius himself that he should confirm his concession. The King actually first humbly begged a blessing on the site (*beneficium loci*) and having received that from the lord Abbat gladly and promising still further increase (*ampliora*) gave his seal. The witnesses to this are Count Hugo and Rotbertus son of Aimon.

1088. land (*annone*) and of churches (*cherchetorum*) and all the tithe of swine and sheep and fleeces and cheeses and of all movable things. Likewise in Asprintona and in Convurda and in Turle stagno and in Buccelanda and in Cherletona and in Pola in Brisehamno thus firstly the half (of the tithe?) of the year's increase, and afterwards the eighth part of the priest's half and the whole tithe of all movable things and the fourth part of the bread and ale of the altar.

Likewise from Cherchetona in Lodevilla the half (of the tithe?) of the year's increase and of churches, and the whole (tithe) of all movable things.

Likewise in Clavatona near to Chercheta in Tretechota and in Boveio likewise.

At Paurda two parts (of the tithe?) of the year's increase and of churches, and the whole (tithe) of movable things, and a quarter (IIII) of the bread and ale of the altar and of burial.

In Tressetona the whole tithe complete moreover in Cherchetun and in Esseleia and in Urdihella and in Lega likewise and the whole tithe from Brutefort and the whole tithe of Radulfus de Eschagius and of Rogerus de Estancoma and the whole (tithe) from Coletona and XX*s*. from Totenesio and the tithe of the mill of Cornoorda and the whole tithe of Rotbertus son of D(avid) from Bocchedona and Loleurda and of Samarus the priest and of others.

In Retva thus two parts of the year's increase and the whole (tithe) from movable things, Gaufridus the sewer (*dapifer*) gave this to Saint Sergius on behalf of his cousin (*cognatum* or kinsman) Turgisus and laid the gift on the altar of Saint Mary: witnessed by Landricus soldier and by the monk Turgisus and by the priests Hardvinus and Hetdivus, who (Gaufridus) even likewise laid upon the altar of Saint Mary the gift of all purchases which he was about to make.

A comparison of these two contemporaneous records of the one event shows indubitably that, firstly, the entry in the Cartulary of the abbey of St. Sergius is in no sense a copy of the Totnes Priory Deed, and that secondly, the latter record is not a signed charter but rather a memorandum or account of the ceremony of foundation and grants, the names of witnesses rather than signatures being relied upon as evidence of the fact.

In the Abbey account the entry that Iuhellus "gave the tithe of all his manors" is obviously incorrect, and points to a want of local knowledge

in the scribe who probably did not know that Iuhellus owned in Devon 103 manors, assessed at seventy hides and comprising over 40,000 acres under cultivation. The mention of "the tithe of the valuation census of the whole burg" is also an addition to the tithe of the outputs (*exituvarum*) found in each account. The extra clause in the Cartulary, securing the tithe in case of subsequent gift or sale of any of his manors by the donor, suggests the legal foresight of a later carefully reconsidered record.

The two estates of Foletona and Grestona described as "below the castle" are omitted altogether in the Priory deed, and again knowledge of the locality seems at fault. The manor of Garston (eighty-four acres were so known at the Dissolution, and which manor was in 1468 granted by deed as security for the annual stipend due to the vicar of Tottonia from the Priory) occurs frequently in the Totnes Priory Deeds. The road from "Totteneyse to Dertemouth" passed through this manor (see *Deed* clx) and the land of "la Trywe" (see *Deed* lxxxviii) lay between Totnes and Garston, so that the estate could not be said to lie near the castle, and scarcely "under the protection of" if that is the interpretation given of the word "*subtus castellum*." There was no manor in the Devon Domesday Book named Grestona or Garston: neither Grestona nor Foletona are mentioned in the schedule of tithes suffixed to the Priory Foundation Charter because the Priory held the manors including all tithes (see *Tot. Pr. Deed* cxii, confirmation to Priory by Willelmus la Zousche in 1306 of land, etc., of Foletone, and *Tot. Pr. Deed* clx, record of two suits due at the Court of the Priory, held at Garston in 1438).

Follaton (Foletona, fo. 624 *Exeter Domesday*) is entered in Domesday Book as a manor given by Iuhellus to the church of St. Mary, Totnes, for the soul of the Queen (Matilda who died 2nd November, 1083), and it is difficult to believe that Grestona recognised as a manor in 1088 was not included in the Survey; it is also unlikely that it is to be found elsewhere than among the manors of Iuhellus, unless among the manors entered in the King's own name or that of his Queen Matilda, as we find Ashprington (Aisbertona, fo. 94 *Exeter Domesday*) held by Iuhellus of the Queen, and the fishery (*Asprintone*) subsequently granted by him to the Priory in the Cartulary record of the foundation charter. The tithes of "Asprintona and Convurda" (Ashprington and Cornworthy) are included in the schedule attached to the Priory Charter. The actual manor of "Asprinton" with the "soldier's land and half of the wood" seems to have been granted rather by Rogerus de Nonant (*Tot. Pr. Deed* ii) than by Iuhellus.

The entry in the list of the manors of Iuhellus in Domesday Book

immediately preceding Corneorda (Cornworthy) is a manor called Ulsistona which Ustret held in the days of King Edward. This manor the indentifiers of the Devon Domesday (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxv, fo. 339) only suggest is probably Woolstone, West Allington. Ulsi or Wulfsie is one Saxon name, Ustred another (in the Exeter copy "Ustret," in the Exchequer "Uctred"). The manor was not therefore named after Ustret. Grestona would be the settlement of "Gaer." Risdon states (fo. 383) that Garston is a seat in the parish of West Allington, the home of the Bastard family (h.d. Gerston), but both Woolston and Gerston are west of the estuary into which the Avon flows, and cannot be considered on the road from "Totteneyse to Dertemouth." This Gerston is, therefore, not the manor owned by Totnes Priory. In the lease, dated 1542, to Johannes Champernon of the confiscated estates of Totnes Priory (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cxcv) one item reads, "all that pasture called Stert containing by estimate sixteen acres in Garston." There is a farm called "Stert" in Diptford, on the border of Harberton parish.

The summary of this evidence therefore suggests that the land of "la Trywe" is the modern Tristford, and that the manor of Iuhellus granted to Totnes Priory under the name of Grestona, or Garston, formed part of modern Har(ber)ton, standing on the Har (bourne or stream) which at one time included sixteen acres of the district known as Stert, which from its name, meaning in Anglo-Saxon "a tail," probably signified that it was a long narrow outlying district of the manor. Inglebourne in Harberton belonged to the Abbey of Buckfastleigh (Lysons, fo. 254). Where then did the manor of Grestona find place in Domesday? It does not seem possible to include it in Foletona, which rendered geld for one virgate, one of the smallest manors in the Hundred of Cadelintona (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxxv, fo. 702). Perhaps it represented that land under the entry Toteneis (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 504) which was worked by the fifteen burgesses, without the borough of Totnes, and that the real signification of "subtus castellum" is forming part of the estate of the castle, the rest being represented by the borough or protected ville.

The Cartulary record further varies from the original Priory Deed in the mention of the chapel of St. Peter. The early existence of this chapel is of great interest, as it possibly marks the landing place of Iuhellus on the river side.

On the other hand the Cartulary omits all mention of the gift of vestments and cross, and in the dedication there is no mention of the

Queen or of their sons and daughters, a certain omission, for Iuhellus had not only received favours from Queen Matilda but gave a manor (Follaton) to Holy Church in her memory.

The list of names of witnesses varies: in the Priory Deed there are twenty-five, in the Cartulary eighteen. In the Cartulary copy one name occurs, that of "Richardus his man" (*i.e.* of Martinus de Walis) which is not in the original charter at all; but eight names are omitted altogether.

Curiously the clause of reinstatement of the priests Hubertus and Anschitillus is word for word the same in both writings, as if a copy of this settlement with the local clergy had been taken to exhibit to the Abbat of St. Sergius for his direct approval; also as the two priests were in future to be subject to the mother house of Totnes Priory.

In 1090 William II invaded Normandy to requite his elder brother Robert for the disaffection he had stirred up among the Norman barons in England who had risen on behalf of William the Conqueror's eldest son, under the leadership of Bishop Odo and his brother the Earl of Mortaigne. It was doubtless in this insurrection that Iuhellus incurred the displeasure of King William II, and just as having with the assistance of the English quelled the rising, as punishment he deprived his uncles of their estates, doubtless for the same reason Iuhellus lost Totnes.

According to the Martyrology of Tywardreath Priory the obit of an Abbat entitled St. Achardus is entered on the 27th of March 1093. The date corresponds so remarkably with the period at which the visit of William II may have taken place, that we can but accept as fact the transfer of the lordship of Totnes as having taken place sometime between the coronation of William Rufus on the 26th September, 1087, and the death of Abbat Achardus on the 27th March, 1093.

For the above reasons the date of the foundation of Totnes Priory is placed *circa* 1087-8, and the transfer of Totnes to Rogerius de Nonant in 1089-90.

DATE OF FOUNDATION. Perhaps the most helpful evidence as to the year in which the charter of Iuhellus was drawn up and Totnes Priory founded is the name of the first witness Martinus Walensis. The first witness to such a charter would unquestionably be the most important personage present, and there can be no doubt that the Martin of Wales is identical with Martinus Tironensis.

We know from the titles assumed by Baldwin of Exeter, Iuhel of Totnes, etc., that it was the custom to adopt the name of the latest conquest, and therefore we may be sure that it was subsequent to his

invasion and conquest of Pembrokeshire and Cardigan that Martinus Walensis witnessed the foundation of Totnes Priory.

The date of this temporary conquest of South Wales is placed during the years 1087-1088. The triumph was not of long duration, for in 1093 the Welsh under Gryffyd ap Conan, Prince of North Wales, and Cadwgan ap Bleddyn, Prince of Powys, once more drove the Normans out of Cardiganshire, destroying all their castles and fortifications. The death of Martin Tironensis is generally placed in the year 1089, which, if correct, at once narrows the possible period during which Totnes Priory was founded to sometime during the years 1088-1089.

Unless Martin had adopted the title "Walensis" from his estates in North Devon there seems no justification for placing the date earlier. On the other hand 1088 would be subsequent to the accession of William II. by whom Iuhellus was deprived of his estates. Perhaps the change of sovereign may have been the direct cause of this pious act by Iuhellus, who anticipated loss of favour, if not of property, at the hands of the Conqueror's successor.

BRADEFORT. There were no less than six manors called Bradeford in the Devon Domesday, two of which belonged to Iuhellus, *i.e.*, Bradeforda, held by Nigel of Iuhellus, identified as Bradaford, a district one and a half miles north-west of Virginstow on the river Carey. The other manor owned by Iuhellus, which a certain Willelmus held of him, it has been suggested may be Bradford three miles north-west of Witheridge. The probability is that if the identification is correct, Bradaford at Virginstow is the district, two-thirds of the tithes of which were owned by Totnes Priory; there is no later reference in the Priory Deeds to this source of income.

ASPRINTONA AND CONVURDA are doubtless Ashprington and Cornworthy. In Domesday the first manor is written Aisbertone h.d. Washburton, of which name there were at one time three estates (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxxiv, fo. 227). Mr. Reichel thinks the manor of Higher Washburton included Ashprington. It is curious that although Ashprington occurs in various forms of spelling in sixteen of the Totnes Priory Deeds, the Domesday form of the word Aisbertone is not met with, the nearest form of spelling being Aspernat, which occurs twice in Deed xiii. At the Dissolution this manor was the most valuable temporal possession of the Priory. The tithes of Cornworthy were subsequently leased to Cornworthy Nunnery, and were the subject of several agreements between the two houses.

TURLESTAGNO. The manor of Torleston, identified as Thurlestone, was owned by Iuhellus, and held by a certain soldier of his, but now a parish at the mouth of the Avon, in Bigbury Bay.

BUCCELANDA, following Turlestagno, is no doubt the hamlet now divided into East and West Buckland, one mile north of and in the parish of Thurlestone.

CHERLETONA. Iuhellus owned a manor called Cheletone, entered in Domesday next to Cornworthy: this has been identified as Chillington in Stokenham. As the Rector of Churleton is mentioned both in 1406 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cxlv) and 1411 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cxlix) as making agreements with the Prior of Totnes, it does not seem possible that Chillington, which is but a small hamlet, can be meant, and the identification of this Domesday manor Cheletone, should be Charleton south-west of Kingsbridge. In 1411 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cxlix) Iohannes Wynterbourne, rector of "Churleton," agreed to the annual pension of 16*s.* being due to Totnes Priory, and in 1409 the same rector of "Charleton" was granted licence of non-residence (*Reg.* Bp. Stafford, fo. 56).

IN POLA IN BRISEHAMM. Although these names read consecutively, it cannot mean that Pool was in Brixham. Iuhellus owned the manor of Pola held of him by Guillelmus (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 616) and identified as South-Pool, and he also owned the manor of Briseham (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 594), Brixham. In 1505 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxix) half of a subsidy levied was paid by the Prior of Totnes for the church of "Pole." Among the spiritual possessions of the Priory at the Dissolution, there is no mention of this tithe, but it must be represented in the general item "all other tithes and oblations." Many references to Brixham occur, and at the Dissolution the vicarage yielded £1 6*s.* 8*d.* to the Priory.

DE CHERCHETONA IN LODEVILLA. This entry distinctly points to Cherchetona being situated in Lodevilla. We know that the Priory owned the chapel (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* v and xvi) and the tithes (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxxvi) of Churston Ferrers, and also half the tithes of the domain (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cv) as well as of the church (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxix) of Lodeswille; but lower in the deed is recorded the possession of the whole of the tithe in Cherchetun (Churston Ferrers). We must therefore look for Cherchetona in the district of Lodevilla: moreover this is the only mention of Loddiswell in the charter. The reference can scarcely be to the neighbouring parish of Churchstow which occurs in old deeds as Chyricstow or Churicstow (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. v, fo. 108) and belonged to Buckfast Abbey. In Loddiswell parish there is

still a farm known as Churchlands. The above-mentioned tithe was the subject of controversy in 1280 between Walterus, then vicar of Loddiswell and Prior Nicholaus (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cv), and in 1505 4*d.* was paid by the Prior of Totnes as second half of a subsidy, the share due from the Priory for Lodeswelle church (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxix), and an annual pension of 6*s.* 8*d.* was received from the vicariate of Loddiswyll by Totnes Priory at the time of the Dissolution.

IN CLAVATONA PRAETER CHERCHETA. This is undoubtedly the manor of Clavetona (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 580) h.d. Clawton, situated three miles south of Holsworthy, the only Domesday manor of that name and owned by Iuhellus: the identification is further proved by reference to the domains of Clauton, Fernhille and Loveworthy (Risdon, fo. 233 Loworthy, home of the Le Sayer family) h.d. Leworthy in 1277 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* civ). This reference is of historical interest as proving that the church (*chercheta*) of St. Leonard was standing in 1088.

TRETECHOTA. Iuhellus owned the manor of Tetecota (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 582) the present parish of Tetcott, five and a quarter miles south of Holsworthy, near the confluence of the rivers Tamar and Claw.

IN BOVEIO. The present parish of North Bovey is identified as the manor of Bovi (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 588) which Turgis held of Iuhellus, not unlikely the same "Torgis de la forest," the seventh witness to the foundation charter.

PAURDA. This is undoubtedly the manor of Paorda entered between the manors of Clavetona and Tetecota (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 580) as belonging to Iuhellus, the modern Pyworthy, two and a half miles south-west of Holsworthy. The addition of the words "of burial" in this case suggests that not only was the church of St. Swithun erected at this period (1088), but that it was privileged over the other surrounding churches to the special right of sepulture.

TRESSETONA. This is Tresetone, the first on the list of manors owned by Iuhellus (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 564), identified as Thrushelton, which takes its name from the river Thrushel, a tributary of the Tamar, and is situated eleven miles north of Tavistock. Some time between the years 1214 and 1225 the Priory of Plympton purchased the tithes of the church of St. Mary of "Binnebiri," derived from the estates of "Raddon" and "Thrichchelton" (*Tot. Pr. Deed* lxiv). A small place named Bambury, north-west, about two miles from Thrushelton, possibly represents the name, but the parish is now known as Marystow. Raddon is on the west side of the valley of the river Lew, about a mile and a half

south of Thrushelton, and in the present parish of Marystow. There is no mention in the Bishops' Registers of a church in Thrushelton until 1334-5, when in Bp. Grandisson's Register (fo. 775) among the possessions of the Priory of Plympton is entered "capella de Thrisshelstone." The present church of St. George is thought to have been erected by the canons of Plympton in the early fourteenth century, probably on the basis of the above entry in the Episcopal Register. Thrushelton has always been a chapelry, now parochial, attached to Marystow, and it is thought that the church of St. Mary was built at the instigation of Iuhellus filius Aluredi.

CHERCHETUN, in which the Priory owned the whole of the tithe, is the Domesday manor of Cercetone (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 595), owned by Iuhellus, and identified as Churston Ferrers. Early references to the chapel of Chirchetune occur in the Priory Deeds (*Tot. Pr. Deed* v.), and confirmation of the possession of the chapel to Totnes Priory was granted by Bp. Robert Chichester in 1143 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xvi). In 1526 the tithes in this district were leased to Jacobus Eggecome (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxxvi), and this is the item entered in the schedule of possessions taken at the Dissolution as 15*s.* 2½*d.* annually paid by Sir Petrus Eggecomb.

ESSELEIA, must mean the Domesday manor of Assileia held by Radulf of Iuhellus (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 572), and identified as Ashleigh (or Ashley) in Lifton.

URDIHELLA, the Domesday manor Ordihella (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 624), identified as Worthele (or Worthill) in the parish of Ermington. This is probably the source of 8*s.* annual income received from Sir Henricus Fortescue of Ermyngton in the Valor Ecclesiasticus at the Dissolution.

LEGA. Iuhellus owned three manors of this name. Lega, held by Willelmus, identified as in or near Stokenham (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 616), Lega, identified as Modbury (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 626), and Lega, held by Radulfus, identified as Challonsleigh, Plympton St. Mary. As the Priory paid 12*d.* in 1505 as second half of the subsidy levied on the church of "Stowke," it is probable that the first of these manors is the right one. In Stokenham at the present day there is a property named Stoke*ley* and part of the manor is known as The Priory.

BRUTEFORT. Curiously, three manors, Ordihella, Lega and Botreforda (of which there are two manors), are entered consecutively in the Devonshire Domesday. This particular Lega has been identified as in Modbury, but there seems to be no justification for thinking that Totnes

Priory possessed tithes at Modbury, which had its own alien Priory; on the other hand, if these two instances (Domesday record and Totnes Priory Foundation Charter) of the consecutive entry of these manors is not merely a peculiar coincidence, then there is reason to think that the identification of the two Lega mentioned above (*Ex. Domesday*, 616 and 626) should change places. Botreforda is entered twice consecutively in Domesday Book as two manors, owned by Iuhellus, which were held by different Saxons (Alricus and Tovius) before the Conquest, but were subsequently both held by Torgicus under Iuhellus. Both these manors are identified as Butterford (Risdon, fo. 180, Boterford) in North Huish: the name is retained to-day by a farm.

RADULFUS DE ESCHAGIUS. There are also two consecutive manors of this name, Escaga (*Ex. Domesday*, 664), owned by Iuhellus. They were both held by a Saxon named Alebricus previous to and by Torgicus subsequent to the Conquest. These two entries are identified as Shaugh and Nether Shaugh, but there is no clue as to who Radulfus was, and why he derived his name, de Eschagius, unless the holder of the next entry in Domesday Torix (*Ex. Domesday*, 666), identified as Terridge, Plympton St. Mary, who was a Radulfus, may be the same individual.

ROGERIUS DE ESTANCOMA. As in the previous case, this tithe-payer was doubtless one of the vassals of Iuhellus, and probably took his title from one of his lord's manors. Stancoma (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 620) is identified as Stancombe, in Sherford, but was held by Turginus when the record was made. The valley which now gives name to the farm Stancombe is in the neighbourhood of Charleton, it is probable that this was an additional grant to the two parts of the tithes of this district.

COLETONA. The identification of the manors of this name is a matter of uncertainty. Iuhellus owned three Coletona (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 592, 596 and 600), for which Shiphay Collaton, Collaton Kirkham and Collaton, Halwell or Malborough are suggested. From the boundaries furnished of the first of these in 1196 (*Cart. Thorre Abbey*) the identification is very doubtful. In 1505 Thoma Abbat of Buckelond, collector of the second half of a subsidy, received 16*d.* from the Prior of Totnes for the church of "Alnngton" (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxix). This doubtless should read Allington, and probably refers to East Allington, in which is a farm known as Killeton. From the facts that the whole tithe of Coletona was granted in 1088; that the Priory paid the taxation on Allington Church (and there is only one parish of that name, *i.e.* East Allington) in 1505;

that it seems impossible to identify the dues of "Alnngton" with any other grant in the schedule of the Priory's possessions in 1088; and that there is no subsequent record of this gift from any other source to the Priory; the suggestion is, therefore, that if, which is most probable, this manor of Coletona is one of the three Domesday names owned by Iuhellus, then the identification should be that manor preceding the entry of Lodeswilla (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 596) as Killeton, East Allington, and neither Collaton Kirkham nor Colyton Raleigh as suggested (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxv, fo. 320).

TOTENESIUM XXs. This sum "from the farm of Toteneis" is confirmed by Rogerius de Nunant (*Tot. Pr. Deed* v). Barnstaple, one of the three burghs of Devon in Domesday, rendered 40*s.* by weight to the King, and 20*s.* by tale to the Bishop of Coutances. Lidford rendered yearly three pounds by weight to the King. It appears, therefore, that the 20*s.* granted by Iuhellus to the Priory may have been the customary one-third devoted to religious purpose, and possibly the 60*s.* was the original tax laid upon the burghs when first privileged.

Under the manor Langeforda, identified as probably Langford Ugborough (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 74) is the following entry, "From this manor the King gave twenty shillings to Iuhellus which the borough of the Thotonenses rendered to this manor for the King's ferm."

Exeter, known in Domesday as a city (*civis*) paid the King as overlord £18 annually, a third of this was called the Earl's penny and was paid to the Sheriff or Governor of the city, the remaining two-thirds went into the royal coffers. This taxation was probably imposed by the Saxon Kings, but the Conqueror seems to have apportioned the third part (certainly in the case of Exeter city and Totnes, and probably also at Barnstaple and Lydford) to the keepers or wardens of his "burghs."

THE MILL OF CORNOORDA; tithe. The Priory owned the mill of Ashprington, but not of Cornworthy. The tithes of the latter place were farmed to the Prioress of Cornworthy in 1270 for 14*s.* (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xcvi). This amount was subsequently raised, and caused much controversy, until in 1501 it was reduced by agreement from 26*s.* to 13*s.* annual payment (*Tot. Pr. Deed* clxxvii).

ROTBERTUS FILIUS D(AVIDI); whole tithe from Bocchedona and Loleurda. This vassal of Iuhellus is probably identical with the ninth witness of the foundation charter. David was rather a rare name at this period, but in other instances the double "d" is found to mean this name. No David occurs in the Devon Domesday, and there is no tenant

of Iuhellus whose name commences with D to whom the patronymic might refer. There is only one Rotbertus who held Polochestona: the identification of this manor is uncertain. There is a Poulston, in Halwell, six miles from Totnes, but no evidence to connect it with this tithe. There is no manor which can be recognised as Bocchedona among the estates of Iuhellus, and if the reference is continuous, as it reads, and the tithes of Rotbertus in Bocchedona and Loleurda is intended as the gift, then in all probability Polochestona and Bocchedona are identical. Loleurda suggests one of the Leworthys, and there is a farm known as Leaworthy in the district of Clauton. As already pointed out (under Clavatona) this domain known as Loveworthy in 1277 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* civ.) paid tithe to Totnes Priory, and is mentioned with Fernhille as being in the parish of Clauton. If Fernhille can be construed as a later interpretation of Bocchedona (Bocchedona can only mean the beach-tree hill, but if for some reason the trees were felled it may have become known as the Fernhill), then we have in Fernhill and Loveworthy (A.D. 1277) the tithes formerly owned by Rotbertus filius D in Bocchedona and Loleurda (A.D. 1088).

SAMARUS THE PRIEST, whose whole tithe was granted to Totnes Priory, was not present among the witnesses to the foundation charter, nor does his name occur again in the Priory Deeds. He was probably priest attached to one of the chapels or churches included in the above grants, and as it follows a reference to the Clauton tithes may be the name of the incumbent of the "chercheta" of Clavatona in 1088.

RETVA. The tithes from this district appear to have been a special gift by Gaufridus dapifer, and may not have formed a part of the possessions of Iuhellus, but there seems reason to think that they were.

In 1281 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cvii) all tithes in the parish of Alfinctonne, namely, from Rake, from Alwynstonne, from Edeltonne, from Portlemue, and from Sure, which tithes were called "Seynte Mariedol," were leased to Lord Andreus de Lodeswille for five years at an annual rent of five marcs.

In the Valor Ecclesiasticus among the properties of Totnes Priory at the Dissolution is the "spiritual possession" from "Seynt Mary Dole" annually £1 (Oliver *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 243). In a special commission of 13 Charles I (1637), mention is made of "a portion of tithes called the Mary Dole, in the parish of Marlboro', belonging to the Rectory of Totnes" (*Exchequer Q.R.*, N. 5420 Devon, Record Office). Lysons record "A portion of tithes in this parish (Malborough), called Merrydole,

belongs to the Rev. Roope Ilbert of Bowringsleigh, and another portion called Paul, or Pol, to Lord Courtenay." In the deed dated 1281 we have distinct evidence whence this tithe was derived, namely, from Rake (? Higher and Lower Rew: according to Risdon, fo. 382, this manor is coupled with Sorely, in West Allington, the Domesday Surleia, *Ex. Domesday*, fo. 608, which follows Sura in the record), from Alwynstonne (Alston, one of the manors of Iuhellus, Aluuinestona, *Ex. Domesday*, fo. 606), from Edeltonne (Ilton, one of the manors of Iuhellus, Edetona, *Ex. Domesday*, fo. 604, written Yedilton, Pat. 9, Edw. III, pt. 2, to Sir John Chiverston in 1335), from Portlemue (Portlemouth, one of the manors of Iuhellus, Portlamuta, *Ex. Domesday*, fo. 604), and from Sure (Sewer, also one of the manors of Iuhellus, Sura, *Ex. Domesday*, fo. 606).

The identification of these manors, with the exception of the first, Rake, is very simple, as they are all consecutively entered in Domesday Book: Alston, Ilton and Sewer, are at present in the parish of Malborough, and all in 1281 were in the parish of Alfinctonne, now represented by West Alvington. Higher and Lower Rew are also in Malborough, and if it is difficult to recognise Rake of 1281 (Risdon, fo. 175, gives Rake with West Alvington as giving name to family *temp.* Henry III) in this modern word, the likeness to Retva of 1088 is more marked, and lacking evidence of any other source of the tithes known as St. Mary Dole, they may be attributed to that gift by Gaufridus dapifer, which, we are specially told, "he laid upon the altar of S. Mary." In Domesday, Portlemouth, Ilton and Alston were held of Iuhellus by Fulco, and Sewer by Odo, which seems to necessitate a transfer to Gaufridus dapifer between the day of the Domesday record and 1088.

Of the witnesses to this gift, recorded separately from the witnesses of the Foundation Charter, and therefore suggesting a subsequent donation altogether, Landricus Miles is not recorded in Domesday Book, nor again in any of the Priory Deeds. Can this be the soldier mentioned in connection with Thurlestone? Turgisus the monk may be the very kinsman of Gaufridus dapifer, on whose behalf the latter made the grant. The only Fulco mentioned in the Exeter copy of Domesday is the holder of the manors above mentioned. Hardvinus does not occur elsewhere, and Hetdivus the priest cannot be identified, but possibly was the incumbent of Alfinctonne at the time of the gift.

1088. Tot. Pr. Deed xiv.

In the name of the holy and indivisible Trinity of the Father, of the Son and of the spirit of the Holy Ghost.

I Ronaldus filius Wingandi have granted to the church of the holy martyrs of Christ Sergius and Bachus which is Andegavin and to the monks serving God there all tithe of the whole of my domain of Dodebroc whether by means of money or of service, namely for the redemption of my soul and of the souls of all my antecedents.

That they might grant and confirm the blessing of their house and brotherhood to my two sons namely Hamo and Anfredus at Exeter in the siege of the same. Moreover it is not concealed that they may receive as much without any opposition exempt from everything by the preceding gift.

Witnesses :

1 Alanus son of Count Stephanus.
2 Conan Archdeacon.
3 Ronaldus son of Harschoidus.
4, 5 My sons Hamo and Anfredus.
6 Rogerus son of Ilgerus.
7 Alwardus who was then clerk
8 others of the same matter, Wal.

Tag but no seal in right-hand corner.

This deed bears every indication in hand-writing and form of being an early document. Owing to reference to a siege of Exeter it was originally numbered xiv, and placed chronologically *circa* 1136, when King Stephen besieged Exeter. Nothing otherwise seemed to support this decision, and the explanation is probably more correctly supplied by Ralph de Diceto, who tells us that in 1088 Exeter was laid waste by the adherents of Robert Duke of Normandy, under the command of Robert Fitz Baldwin. These two records therefore appear to be the only references we possess to-day of the part played by Exeter in the accession of William Rufus.

Neither the name Ronaldus nor Wingandus occur in the Devon Domesday. The manor of Dodebroca (h.d. Dodbrooke, Ex. Domesday, fo. 1192) adjoining Kingsbridge, was held by Godeva, the wife of Bristric the Saxon. It seems impossible to identify any of the witnesses to the deed as occurring in Domesday Book. There is no record of an early official in the Exeter diocese named Conan, and the suggestion can only be that Ronaldus filius Wingandi was a mercenary who, with his followers, had come over from Normandy to assist the cause of the Conqueror's eldest son. He had probably received a spurious grant of this Devon manor, in any case the legality of this gift to Totnes Priory does not

seem to have been substantiated, as no further reference occurs to tithes from Dodbrooke. Lysons however state (fo. 165) that the manor was held under Godeva by a family of De Dodbrooke, whose heiress married Alan Fitz Ro(n)ald, ancestor of the family of Fitz-Alan: the claim of the Priory on behalf of the mother-house was probably waived on the ground of prudence, as implicating the religious house in a political movement.

circa 1104.
Tot. Pr. Deed ii.

In the name of the Holy and inseparable Trinity I Henry by the grace of God King of the English for the redemption of my soul and safety of my realm and for the souls of my father King Willelmus and of my mother Queen Matthildis and of my brother King Willelmus and moreover for the health of my wife Queen Matthildis and our offspring I consent to (*concedo*) that which Rogerus de Nonant has given to Christ's church of the martyrs Sergius and Bachus namely the church of St. Marie of Totenesio with the land belonging of old to the same church and with the tithes of land the property of the same Roger, except the two manors of Cliston and Dertrinton, and with XX solidi from the farm now called of the castle.

I consent to even Asprinton which the aforesaid Rogerus has given on the dedication of the church likewise the soldiers' land and one man and moreover half of the wood. Thus the tithes which same the men of Rogerus himself consented to give to the same church and I mean (the church) to have (the same) for all time.

1 ✠ The sign of the King.
2 ✠ ,, ,, ,, ,, Queen.
3 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Robert filius Hamonis.
4 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Roger the Bishop.
5 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Halan filius Fraaldi.
6 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Ricardus de River.
7 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Heudon dapifer.
8 ✠✠ ,, ,, ,, Rogerus de Nonant.
9 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Mateldis wife of Rogerus de Nonant.
10 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Unfredus de Bohun.
11 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Rogerus Bigot.
12 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Vuillelmus de Nonant.
13 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Vuido de Nonant.
14 ✠ ,, ,, ,, Ricardus Demeril.

Appended a thick tag of sheepskin with signs of having at one time

carried a seal, from the size of the mark left on the leather, probably the great seal of King Henry I.

On reverse, "Confirmation of King Henry of the gifts of Rogerus de Nonant."

Matilda, Queen of Henry I, died on May 1st, 1118; for the last twelve years of her life she was neglected by her husband and lived in the palace of Westminster; there is therefore little doubt that the above deed was written between 11th November, 1100, her marriage with Henry I, and 1106.

This monarch conferred many charters and confirmations on the religious houses established in England. In this county a similar confirmation was given by King Henry I of the gift by "Iohel of venerable memory and other faithful followers of Christ" of the foundation of Barnstaple Priory. This appears to have been drawn up when the King was abroad, "*apud* Pirarios," and probably after the decease of Iuhellus. It is addressed to the Bishop of Exeter (unfortunately not named), to the Sheriff, and to "Alueredus de Totnes." None of the witnesses to this deed is to be found among the signatories to the above Totnes Priory Deed ii, quite another set of followers having apparently accompanied the King to the Continent.

King Henry I also granted a charter to Plympton Priory, confirming the foundation of William Warelwast, Bishop of Exeter, subsequent to 1121. This is also signed by the King with the sign of the cross, and confirmed by the Queen, and commences with the same formula, "*In nomine Sancte et individue Trinitatis.*" The name of the Queen is written as "*Ego* Adeldis *regina confirmo*," referring to Alice, Adelais, or Adelicia, daughter of Geoffrey Duke of Louvain, whom King Henry married in 1121 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 134).

Henry I, we are told, on account of his abilities was surnamed "Beauclerk," the scholar. The cross affixed to this deed scarcely attests these qualities as, to this day, where illiteracy is pleaded as an excuse for inability to sign a receipt or document, at least in Christian countries (in Russia invariably the custom), the signatory is requested to make his cross with the pen, the identification being added just as in this deed.

Sir H. C. Maxwell Lyte records a letter from King Richard II to the Earl of Suffolk, dated at Bristol Castle (26 July, 1386) in French, and signed "Richard," as being "the earliest extant signature of an English King" (*Cat. MSS.* in Museum Pub. Record Office, fo. 47). In the true sense of the word signature, this "mark" of King Henry I of England is two hundred and eighty years earlier.

3. Robert filius Hamonis, the first signatory after the King and Queen, was an elder son of Hamon, Sheriff of Kent, Steward to William the Conqueror, and grandson of Hamon-aux-Dents, lord of Thorigny and Creulli, who was killed in the battle of Val-de-Dunes, 1047, fighting against Gremouldas de Plessis. He married Sybil youngest daughter of Roger de Montgomery, Earl of Arundel, and received the Honour of Gloucester from William Rufus in 1091, for the same reason that Rogerius de Nonant received Totnes, as reward for services rendered and assistance in placing William II on the throne, and subduing the revolt in 1088 (*Ord. Vit.* ed. Le Prevost iii, fo. 273). Robert fitz Hamon appears to have had no son and heir, but his eldest daughter, Mabel, was given in marriage to Robert, illegitimate son of King Henry I of England, by Nesta, daughter of Rees ap Tudor, to whom the title Earl of Gloucester passed.

He is wrongly credited with the foundation of St. Michael's Mount, Cornwall (by Yeatman, *Arundel*, fo. 260), as this Priory was founded by another Robert (Earl of Mortain, half-brother of the Conqueror and Earl of Cornwall), but he endowed Tewkesbury Abbey munificently, in the Chapter-House of which he was buried.

Robert fitz Hamon in 1105 was a prisoner in Bayeux. He died in March 1107, the same year as Roger Bigod, and his widow Sybil de Montgomery, then married I de Rennes.

King Henry crossed to Normandy in 1104, and again in 1105. It was probably one of these occasions which brought him to Totnes.

4. Roger the Bishop. "The King's principal ministers were Roger Bishop of Salisbury, and Robert Earl of Mellent. Roger had constantly adhered to Henry in all the vicissitudes of fortune which that prince experienced before his accession; it was natural, therefore, he should rise to eminence. . . . By the Chapter of Salisbury he was chosen Bishop of that See; by the King he was appointed Grand Justiciary of the Kingdom" (Lingard, Vol. ii, p. 149).

He is said to have been first noticed by Henry, who was fighting for his brother William Rufus and entered a church, near Caen. The prompt and expeditious manner in which the priest said mass commended him to the future King. But as he outlived his patron, so on the accession of Stephen he was no longer in royal favour, and died at Sarum (according to Malmesbury) robbed of all he possessed.

5. Halan filius Fraaldi. This witness is probably the Alan fitz Flaeld, ancestor of the Fitz-Alans, Earls of Arundel. No better authority

than Mr. Yeatman can be found for all we know of this individual.

The earliest mention of Alan fitz Flaald (according to Mr. Eyton, *History of Shropshire*) is on 3rd September, 1101. On that date King Henry I, at Windsor, granted a charter to Herbert Bishop of Norwich, to which, after Queen Matilde, Alan fitz Harald was one of the first witnesses. At this time he already held estates in Norfolk, as in another charter, granted on the same occasion, he bestowed the Church of Langham and the tithes thereof to the newly founded Cathedral Priory of Norwich.

In one of the charters attested by Alan fitz Flaald in 1101, he is styled Alan fitz Harald. There seems no doubt that the name, as the family, is of Scotch origin, and the correct spelling would certainly puzzle the Norman scribes.

Queen Matilda, who married King Henry I of England 11th November 1100, was the daughter of Malcolm King of Scotland, on whose death in 1093 and succession by his brother, his daughters Mary and Matilda were sent to the care of their aunt Cristina, who had taken the veil in 1086 at Romsey Abbey. Thus both the Queen and Halan filius Fraaldi were of Scotch origin. Mr. Yeatman considers Alan fitz Flaald to have been a direct descendant of the Thane Bancho (immortalized by Shakespeare), from which family descended the Stewart Kings of England, and probably from an elder branch the family represented by the present Duke of Norfolk.

Between the years 1103-7, Alan fitz Flaald attested the charter of Henry I to the cell of Andover, Hants, which was granted "at Stornweld in the New Forest when the King was hunting, Alan no doubt being one of his suite."

If this document could be compared with Totnes Priory Deed ii, possibly considerable likeness in form, handwriting and witnesses could be traced.

Fitz Flaald or Fraaldi does not occur in any deed recorded in the Monasticon of this district, so that apparently the family at this period had no connection with Devonshire.

6. Ricardus de River. Under the account of the Collegiate Church of Tiverton, Dr. Oliver writes: "King Henry I granted the manor of Tiverton to his faithful and beloved councillor Richard de Redvers. Dying in 1107, he was succeeded in his estate by his son Baldwin" (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 315). This Baldwin was the first Earl of Devon, "an earldom which is always, but erroneously, stated to have been conferred

upon Baldwin's father, *temp.* Henry I" (Round *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, fo. 272). The earldom was created sometime after the year 1123 and before 1155 (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. i, fo. 78).

7. Heudon dapifer: the largest and boldest cross subscribed, as became one who had probably attested more documents in this manner than anyone else present, as he held the post of "dapifer" to William I, William II, and Henry I successively.

He was the son of Richard, called also Turstinus Haldup, and married Rohaise, daughter of Walter Giffard Earl of Buckingham, and widow of Richard fitz Gilbert Earl of Brionne (according to Yeatman, *Arundel* fo. 113), according to others she was niece of the former and daughter of Richard fitz Gilbert, or de Clare, elder son of Gilbert Earl of Eu (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. iv, fo. 230).

Eudo dapifer accumulated a large estate. At the Christmas Court of 1101, held at Westminster, Henry I granted him the city, tower and castle (*turrim et castellum*) of Colchester, to which were many witnesses, but only Roger Bigot is identifiable among the names attached to the above deed.

The names, "Richardo vicecomite, Heudone et Humfrido Buhonensi," occur in the identical order above as witnesses to a mandate of the Queen to a certain Rothbertus Bertrannus to do justice to the house of S. Martin Majoris Monasterii, to which religious establishment Eudo gave, in 1081, his share in the ville of Helville (*Arundel*, fo. 94). Unfortunately the date of this record is not established, but from the account that the angry monarch sent the messengers to the Queen, etc., it suggests that the occurrence was possibly about the time of the final estrangement, *circa* 1105-6.

Eudo dapifer died in 1120 at the Castle of Preaux, when, according to the Pipe Roll 31 Henry I, the whole of his estates appear to have escheated to the Crown. He was buried in the Abbey of St. John, Colchester, which he had founded.

8, 9, 12, 13. See account of De Nonant family.

10. Unfredus de Bohun. This is probably the second of that name, who married, between 1087 and 1100, Maud daughter of Edward de Saresburie. Their son was the Humphrey de Bohun who, with Hugh Bigot and Simon de Beauchamp held the office of "dapifer" under King Stephen, and as such witnessed the King's charter of liberties subsequently issued at Oxford 1136. He, the younger Humphrey, was an ardent supporter of the Empress Maud.

11. Rogerus Bigot, is probably the father of Hugh Bigot, created first Earl of Norfolk by King Stephen *circa* 1140-41, and recreated by Henry II.

Roger Bigot witnessed the grant by Henry I to Eudo dapifer (7th witness to *Deed* ii) of the city and castle of Colchester, at the Christmas Court of 1101. He also witnessed many other deeds at this period, in company with Eudo dapifer, always being entered after the latter (see *Cartulary of Abingdon*, and other records).

In 3 Henry I (1102) Roger Bigod founded the Priory of Thetford and commenced building it within the town of Norwich, but was persuaded by Prior Stephen to remove it outside. Roger Bigod must have died in 1107, because in that year there was a legal dispute between the monks of Thetford and the Abbey of Norwich, as to the right to the body of Roger. The Bishop of Norwich declared on oath that Roger had given himself and family to the Church of Norwich, and the King, at Nottingham, compelled the monks to relinquish their claim (Martin, *History of Thetford*, fo. 112). William Bigod, son of Roger and Adelida, and brother of Hugo, became dapifer to Henry I, and was drowned in the Blanch Nef. in 1120.

14. Ricardus Demeril. This family left their name in Milton Damarell and Stoke Damarell. Their ancestor, Robert de Albemarle, held seventeen manors in Domesday. The name only occurs this once in the Totnes Priory Deeds. In the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey in 1371, a Sir John Damarlae, or Damarle, is mentioned, which seems to show the connection between the two names.

Lysons (fo. 285) states that the manor of North Huish, or Hewish, about seven miles from Totnes, belonged, in the reign of Richard I, to the family of Damarell: it was possibly the owner of this manor who was present and witnessed the above charter. This and the presence of four different members of the De Nonant family, as well as the nature of the deed, strongly suggest that King Henry I was at Totnes Castle when the confirmation was granted.

1107. 11th August, William Warelwast, according to William of Worcester, "son of William the Conqueror's sister," was consecrated Bishop of Exeter by Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury.

Tot. Pr. Deed iii. Girbertus son of Willelmus de Linguire on the day on which his mother entered a religious house gave to God and the church of Saint Marie de Totenesio and to the monks serving God in it two ferlings of

land complete and free from all service at Chevelestune with two husbandmen and with the consent of his brothers laid the gift upon the altar.

Witnesses :

1 dominus Wido.
2 Willelmus his son.
3 Mabilia wife of lord Wido.
4 Radulfus the lord's chaplain.
5 Unfredus the priest.
6 Drogo the lord's soldier.
7 Goscelmus the priest.
8 Richardus chaplain of the monks.
9 Willelmus Bechet.
10 Radulfus de Cheresburg.
11 Godwinus Not and many others.

In the eighth witness we have proof that from earliest times the monks of Totnes did not serve the Parish Church. "The Regular Canons were allowed in individual cases to serve the parishes belonging to their houses, the monks were always obliged to employ secular vicars in these cures" (F. A. Gasquet, *English Monastic Life*, fo. 225).

Baldwin de Revers Count of Exeter for the soul of his wife Adeliza and of his father Ricardus and of his mother Adeliza and at the request of *his kinsman the venerable monk Ricardus de Tottonia* gave the land with the chapel of St. James Exeter to the monastery of St. Peter de Cluniac and St. Martin de Campis (Oliver *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 193).

The Rev. O. J. Reichel shows reason why this refoundation should be attributed to a date before the siege of Exeter, *i.e.*, 1137 (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. iii, fo. 188). It was certainly confirmed during the bishopric of Robert Chichester in the year 1146. Who was Ricardus de Tottonia, kinsman of the first Earl of Devon ? It seems scarcely possible that this is a reference to Prior Ricardus de Gré, as he was certainly Prior subsequent to 1161 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xx) and could hardly have been styled "venerable" thirty years before. The probability is that Ricardus was a member of the De Rivers family, who in his last years retired (as Iuhellus did to Barnstaple) as a recluse within the walls of Totnes Priory.

A Ricardus de River made the sixth cross to the confirmation by King Henry I (*Tot. Pr. Deed* ii), but this it is reasonable to suppose was the father of Baldwin the first Earl of Devon, and could not be identical with Ricardus monk of Tottonia, as Baldwin would not have acknowledged

him as merely kinsman (*cognatus*) but as father. It is difficult to determine whether the monk took his title "de Tottonia" from his family or from his connection with the Priory, but there is little to support the former reason. It does not seem impossible, however, that the reference "monk" may be intended, in this only instance in which it occurs, for the "chaplain of the monks" (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* iii. and v.) who occurs also under other attributes as "priest" (12th witness to *Deed* v), as "chaplain" (6th witness to *Deed* vi, and 5th to *Deed* xi), as "the priest, old man" (1st witness to *Deed* viii), and again as "the priest" (*Deeds* x and xii). The identity of this perhaps first recognised incumbent of the parish church after the foundation of the Priory, merges into another "Ricardus capellanus," but in all probability the occurrences as first witness (*Deeds* viii, x and xii) are the last notices of the one, and the fifth witness (*Deed* xiii) marks the advent of a new and younger chaplain of that name.

1113. Bishop Warelwast was absent with King Henry I in Normandy (*Ordericus Vitalis*, *Hist. Eccles.* lib. xi).

PRIOR GALTERIUS OR WALTER.

Probably in 1118. Tot. Pr. Deed iv.

In the name of Christ I Robertus filius Martini give to the church of the Blessed Marie de Totenesio and to the monks of Saint Sergius Andegavensis serving God there that portion of land in Derteland as shown to *Walterius then Prior* before Abbat F' de Cam' and Iuhellus nepos, for my soul and for the souls of my father mother and sister. Also for the soul of Wido de Nunant and for the souls of all my friends I grant them to possess the same in perpetuity complete and quit (from claim) in the common chapter-house (of the Priory).

Witnesses:

1 Fulcaudus Abbat of Cameis.
2 Iuhellus filius Nigelli.
3 Rogerius Grossus.
4 Iordanis de Hoda.
5 Gervasius de Halvi.
6 Clarembaudus clericus.
7 Rogerius clericus scriptorneris.

White seal very much broken is appended, the design showing a horseman facing sinister.

1. According to the "Cartulaire de la Ste. Trinité de Tiron," Robert Fitzmartin on his second visit to Tiron took back with him, in 1118,

to St. Dogmael's, thirteen monks, and an Abbat Fulchardus. William Lord Abbat of Tiron came to St. Dogmael's for the installation of Abbat Fulchardus, and signed with Bernard Bishop of St. David's the original charter. A Geoffrey le Gros was in 1120 Abbat of Tiron, possibly the above Rogerius Grossus was a relation.

It is noteworthy that Robert Fitzmartin does not in this deed mention his wife, although in the Foundation Charter of the Abbey of St. Dogmael's, wherein he recounts having obtained Abbat Fulchardus, the deed opens, "I Robert Son of Martin . . . with consent or rather at the suggestion of my wife Matilda" (daughter of William Peverel), etc.

2. Iuhellus filius Nigelli. This is probably the Nigellus who held, under Iuhellus, the manors of Mora, Bradeforda, Tornelovva, Ratdona, Bradeuuoda, Sidelham, and Mevvi. Another Nigellus, called a free man-at-arms, held, under the Abbot of Tavistock, Hadreleia and Liega, with a certain Robert, but probably they are different individuals. Iuhellus nepos of the deed and this witness are obviously the same, and suggests that he was a grandson of Martin.

4. Ricart and Iordan were sons of Lucas de Hoda, a favourite of Martin de Turribus, who have left their names in Treicert and Trewrdan, near Tregamen, two farms on the high lands not far from Crugian Cemaes (*Hist. of St. Dogmael's*, fo. 20, 25).

Iordan de Hoda had a son named William (*ibidem* fo. 50).

6. William Warelwast gave to the Priory of Plympton, July 2, 1133, the house and gardens of Ascelinus, the archdeacon, in Exeter, which he had recently purchased, and the house and land of Clarembald in the south street of the said city.

Possibly Wido de Nonant married the sister of Robert Fitz-Martin, hence the references in this deed.

Early part of period 1133-1138. Tot. Pr. Deed v.

I Rogerius de Nunant son of Wido son of Rogerius seigneur de Nunant give and concede to God and to the Church of Saint Marie de Toteneis and to the blessed martyrs Sergius and Bachus Andegavis and to the monks of Saint Sergius serving God now in the said church of the Blessed Marie, for the souls of my father Wido and of my grandfather Rogerius and of my mother Mabilia, etc., also for my safety and soundness and of my wife Adelicia, etc., the church of the Blessed Marie de Toteneis with all appurtenances given by my ancestors, *i.e.*:—

(*a*) the manor of Asprintuna with the church of the same manor and

with the wood and with all appurtenances complete belonging to the same manor.

(*b*) Grestuna and Foletuna

(*c*) the land of Torra

(*d*) the land of Fageslonde

(*e*) 5 solidatas of land in Chevelestuna

(*f*) XX solidos from the farm of Toteneis

(*g*) the tithe from the fair of the Assumption of Saint Marie

(*h*) whatever my barons or men have given in tithes or in future are about to give

(*i*) the tithes of my own private land, of wheaten bread and fish from my table

(*k*) I grant moreover that they shall not be disturbed in their cloister chapter-house or houses by decrees of the hundred or of secular matters.

Witnesses :

1 Unfredus de Buhun.
2 Fulcaldus Abbat of Cameis.
3 Gaufridus Prior of Plintonia.
4 Robertus de Scoz.
5 Wido de Brittevilla.
6 Girbertus de Lingeure.
7 Roger de Regni.
8 Hilbertus Catus (possibly *Gilbertus* intended).
9 Roger de Pola.
10 Crispinus.
11 Willelmus de Nonant.
12 Richardus presbyter.
13 Drogo.
14 Mabilia de Buhun and others.

Written in the same large handwriting as Deed vii, and possibly by the same scribe as Deed ii. The membrane, unusually large, is twenty-six inches by nineteen inches.

The above is the deed of confirmation of the possessions of the Priory by Roger de Nunant, the second of that name, on succeeding to the property on the death of his father Wido. Wido de Nunant attested a deed at Exeter on 10th July, 1133 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 136). The presence of Abbat Fulcardus (appointed to St. Dogmael's 1118) would be helpful if we knew the date of his death. Miss Pritchard (*Hist. St. Dogmael's*, fo. 217) places his successor Abbat Hubert as subsequent to

1138, so presumably Fulcardus was still living about that year. The presence of Gaufridus, Prior of Plympton (1128-1160) does not further narrow the period. It seems safe, however, to assign this deed to between the years 1133 and 1138, and even to the earlier years of that period, in which case Roger succeeded before the death of King Henry I, on the 1st December, 1135.

(*b*) refers to the manors of Garston and Foleton (see pages 7 and 8).

(*c*) the land of Torra, occurs later in Totnes Priory Deed xiii q.v.

(*d*) Fageslonde, the first reference to property under this name, which occurs again in Totnes Priory Deeds xcvii, xcviii, xcix and cxii, and possibly refers to the property known later as Stert.

(*e*) A solidata is the space of twelve acres, representing a soldier's pay. According to this statement therefore the Priory owned some sixty acres in Chivelstone (see *Tot. Pr. Deed* iii).

(*g*) If this is a reference to the Fair of Totneis granted to Wido de Nunant (*Pipe Roll*, 31 Henry I, fo. 154), which is most likely, the date of the deed is subsequent to 1131.

1. Unfredus de Buhun, probably the father of the Humphrey de Bohun, Lord Constable of England in 1173. In a Pipe Roll supposed to be 2 Stephen (1136), a Humphrey Bohun paid for a relief, and also 400 marks in silver to obtain the post of "dapifer" to the King. Unfred de Bohun witnessed the charter of Henry I. to Shaftesbury between the years 1130-1135 (Yeatman, *Arundel*, fo. 303). In company with Teobaldus, Archbishop of Canterbury (1139-1162), Thomas the Chancellor (à Beckett 1154), Rogerus de Nonant and others, Humphrey de Bohun dapifer was third witness to the confirmations of the possessions of Buckfast Abbey by King Henry II at Worcester (*Pat. Rolls*, 1st Edw. IV, page 2, m. iv). This would be at least twenty years after the date of the above charter. It is possible that there was a family connection between Unfredus and Rogerus, suggested by the presence of de Bohun and (presumably) his wife Mabilia de Buhun, on an occasion which meant the decease of Wido and the accession of Rogerus de Nonant to the Honour of Totnes. Although Unfredus is not here recorded as "dapifer," which points to prior to 1136 as the date, he was evidently the most distinguished personage present, taking precedence of the ecclesiastics.

3. Gaufridus. Geoffrey, Prior of Plympton, elected 1128; the next Prior recorded succeeded in 1160 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 131).

4. Robertus de Scoz. The first appearance of a name which occurs continually in the Totnes records until 1335.

5. Wido de Brittevilla also witnessed Totnes Priory Deed xiii. He occurs as witness to a confirmation dated 1146, by Bishop Robert Chichester *(Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 195*)*. The second witness to the confirmation by Willelmus de Mewi of the gift of Walterus de Mewi to Plympton Priory which is not dated, is also a Wido de Bretevilla, and is followed by Andreas lenfont and Willelmus de langewis (sixth witness, and doubtless identical with "de Lingeure") *(Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, A.S. fo. 15), but the reference in this Plympton deed to Prior Robert, seems to place the date subsequent to the appointment of Robert Ilsington in 1202, who only ruled twelve years. It is scarcely credible that the fifth of fourteen witnesses to a deed *circa* 1134 could be the second witness to a deed at earliest 1202, and there seems justification for considering the Wido de Bretevilla of Totnes Priory Deed xxviii, and of 1202 as the son of the witness of 1134, and possibly brother of Willelmus de Briteville, fifth witness to Totnes Priory Deed xxx.

6. Girbertus de Lingeure, the grantor of Totnes Priory Deed iii, son of Willelmus was the ancestor of a Totnes family (see *Tot. Pr. Deed* xl). If the witness "de Langewis" of 1202, mentioned above is identifiable with this family name, then it is most likely a clerical error, as the property of the de Linguires cannot be the Domesday Langehewis identified as Langridge, Atherington (*Ex. Domesday*, fo. 222). The fact that Guillelmus de Lingeure gave two ferlings in "Hivis" to the Priory (see *Tot. Pr. Deed* xi), seems to support this theory, but the two ferlings (sixty acres) were in the fief of Rogerius de Nonant, as evidenced by Totnes Priory Deed xi, and the manor of Langehewis is entered in Domesday among the possessions of the Bishop of Coutances after "Teigna," for which Canon Teign is suggested. The mention of a fishery on their estate (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xi) suggests South Huish as the home of this family.

7. Roger de Regni. This is probably the same individual mentioned with his wife Mabilla, and his sons Willielmus, Baldewinus and Richardus as having granted the land of "Posterigg" to Plympton Priory (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 136). Willelmus de Regni, Rengi, Remgni or Regma (Rheims ?) occurs frequently (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* lii, lxv-lxix). A Willelmus de Regni was Prior of the Dominican Convent of Exeter in 1303.

9. Roger de Pola. A Rogerius de Pola and Pomereius his brother gave "Cadewurda" to Plympton Priory in or before the reign of Henry I (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 135). Risdon records that Lord Nicholas de Pola held South Pole, *temp.* King Henry I., whose son, Lord William went

with King Richard I. to the holy land, after whom Maurice de Pola held this land, whose co-heirs married Pipard and Clavell. The De Pola family do not occur in the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey. A Richardus de Pola occurs later (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* v and ix) as owning the land of Thebecumbe, also his brother and heir Mauricius. The connection of this family name with South Pool seems to end at the beginning of the XIII century.

10. Crispinus. This is probably the ancestor of the family of Crispin who owned the manors of East Allington and Woolston *temp.* Henry III (Lysons, fo. 5 and 6), and a scion of which family acquired by marriage with Arundell the manor of Little Hempston.

First Codicil to Tot. Pr. Deed v.

I Rogerius also give to them and grant in addition the church of Brixaham with the chapel of Chirchetune with all appurtenances etc. belonging to the domain as well as without the domain by reason of the services of Robert Coqui which at present I keep in my hand. I grant even that wherever they may choose for their own grain and that of their men they may have a mill on condition that the convent keeps XII monks in the church of the Blessed Marie of Toteneis under the jurisdiction, reverence, and subject to the church of Saint Sergius Andegavis and XL solidos annual rent which my lord and father Wido previously destined to the same church of Saint Sergius. Also I restore in perpetual possession to them that land which Thomas my almoner (*mulnerius*) had for a long while fraudulently taken away. The following seeing and hearing:

1 Willelmus de Nunant my brother.
2 Tedbaldus de Scoz my sewer.
3 Robertus de Restercume.

3. Robertus de Restercume, ancestor of a family, the name of which occurs in connection with Kingswear. His mother was probably a daughter of the first Roger de Nonant and sister to Wido (*Tot. Pr. Deed* vii). A Henry de Restercumbe granted a charter concerning Kingeswere to Thorre Abbey and Wido, probably his brother, a quit claim (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 26a). A Benedicta the daughter of Warinus de Restercumbe leased a messuage in Kingswear from Abbat Simon of Thorre (probably Simon de Plympton, 1330-1345) (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 154b), and a Nicholaus occurs in the same district in 1321 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cxxii).

Second Codicil to Tot. Pr. Deed v.

All these as above is stated I grant and order to be confirmed by my seal for the safety of the souls of my father and forbears and for my soundness and of my wife and of my brothers and progeny to the aforementioned church of Saint Marie and to St. Sergius and to his monks etc. I have made this concession or donation in the hearing and by the advice of my barons, firstly in the chapter-house of the Blessed Marie de Toteneis into the hand of Abbat Hervei in the chapter-book and thence with the same book and with my own hands have laid the gift on the altar of the Blessed Marie, before the following true witnesses:

1 Willelmus de Nunant.
2 Robertus de Scoz.
3 Wido de Britavilla.
4 Girbertus de Lingeurio.
5 Rogerius de Pola.
6 Robertus Buzun.
7 Rogerius de Regne.
8 Rogerius Buzun.
9 Richardus probo.
10 Richardus de Pola.
11 Drogo.
12 Willelmus filius Roberti.
13 Tedballus dapifer.
14 Richardus chaplain of the monks.
15 Willelmus deacon of Asprintona.
16 Rogerius Grossus who on the same occasion placed the gift of half a "furlin" of his land upon the altar.
17 Osbertus son of Suhardus who placed also part of his fishery in gift upon the altar.
18 Seulfus Cahal.
19 Marcherius prepositus (the provost).
20 Rainaldus
21 Daguenet } servants of the Abbat, and many others.
22 Herveus

The mention of Abbat Hervei and his servants can only have reference to an Abbat of the Order to which Totnes Priory belonged, and although the Benedictines had Abbeys established in this country, it is not likely that any but the Abbat of the mother house of Angers would receive a grant in honour of the church of St. Mary of Totnes and of St. Sergius of Angers.

In the Cartulary of Tywardreath Priory, in the possession of Dr. J. C. S. Rashleigh, of Menabilly, the obit of this Abbat is given as 31 March, 1159 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.* fo. 37). Unfortunately the nearest previous record of an Abbat in the Martyrologium is the obit of Abbat Bernard on the 7th April, 1102, who may well have been the successor of Abbat Achardus at Angers (see p. 9), but fifty-seven years would be a very long period for the rule of Abbat Hervei, but it is quite feasible that he visited Totnes twenty to twenty-five years before his death, and that the date of this deed is as suggested, between 1133-1138, and very likely shortly after the accession of Hervei to the rule of the Abbey of Angers.

9. Richardus Probus: the many forms of this name (according to Mr. Arthur B. Prowse, *D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. iv, fo. 229) appear to have been Preaux or Pratellis, Prous or Probus, Prowse.

Probus, "honest," like Bon, "good," Albus, Niger, and other such words, were surnames given doubtless by the Norman scribes originally to distinguish individuals and from custom retained as family names.

It is very doubtful if Probus had anything to do with Prous. The name occurs in Totnes Priory Deed xxi, and again with his brother Galterus in Deed xxii. A Walter Probus was provost of Exeter *temp.* Henry III (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, A.S. 19), but Probus was undoubtedly the Latin rendering for "probus homo," the Norman-French form of which was retained with many variations of spelling, Prudhomme, Prudhum (me), Prudome, Prodom, Prodhum (h.d. Pridham). A William Prudum founded the Hospital of St. Alexius, Exeter, in 1170, and gave the Common Seal (the oldest in possession of the Municipality) to the city of Exeter (H. Lloyd Parry, *Exeter Civic Seals*, fo. 2). There is little doubt that Walter Probus the provost was a descendant of this William Prudum.

Mr. Edward Windeatt describes a seal, found together with an old seal of the House of Lepers of St. Mary Magdalene, of Totnes, the inscription reads, "Iohannis probi hominis presbyteri," or in a modern rendering, the seal "of John Pridham priest" (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxviii, fo. 772). The owner of this seal was most probably a descendant of Richardus Probus. If the record of ordination of this priest could be found it would throw light on the date of seal.

16. Rogerius Grossus. This is doubtless the same witness occurring in Totnes Priory Deeds iv, xi, and xii. A Matthew Grossus was Mayor of Rouen in 1199 (*Cal. of France*, fo. 36), but must not be confused with Rogerus de Grusci of Deeds xix and xxii, this is probably de Gruchet

(near Fauville, Seine Inferieure). It is impossible to identify this half "furlin" of land, as it does not seem to be referred to elsewhere.

17. Osbertus son of Suhardus. This name does not occur again in the Priory Deeds, but a Suuardus occurs in Domesday Book as the tenant of Holecoma (Holcombe Rogus), Aissa (Roseash), Crahecome (Creacombe), Rachenefoda (Rackenford), and Olueberia (Woolborough), all owned by Baldwin the Sheriff. If the fishery could be identified it might prove a clue to whether this Osbertus was the son of the Domesday tenant.

Third Codicil to Tot. Pr. Deed v.

And subsequently after a few days I Rogerius wishing in addition to increase my gift have given to the aforesaid monks the previously assessed rendering of the service of Robertus Coqui (the cook) every year during the solemn festivals (*vicenalia*) of the lord at the service of the poor that is to say on such condition that he Robertus holds thus free and quit of the monks just as previously he has held of me more free and quit. That if by chance the same Robertus shall have renewed the tenure from the monks his land shall be accounted completely in the possession of the monks.

Witnesses:

1 Willelmus de Nunant, often mentioned.

2 The said Robertus the cook who has seen, heard, and agreed to this gift.

Robertus Coquus is probably the early form of the name which afterwards occurs as Coc (*Deed* xliv), Coco in 1289 (*Deed* cx), Choco (*Deed* lx), and possibly later as Cook, which appears to have been the meaning of the name from the first, this individual doubtless holding the position of "chef" to Rogerius de Nonant; the preparation of the annual feasts given to the poor on the name's day of the lord of the manor and such occasions would be left to this functionary.

1137. 26th September Bishop William Warelwast died, as recorded in the obituary of Tywardreath Priory, and on the 1st October was buried in the chapter-house of Plympton Priory.

Tot. Pr. Deed vi.

Agreement made between Galterius (Walter) Prior of Totonia and lord Rogerus de Nonant with the assent of the Convent and of the heirs of Rogerus de Nonant. That Rogerus de Nonant has granted half a marc of silver annually to the church of Tot(onie) the half at the feast of Saint John and the other half at the birth of the Lord (Christmas) from

the land of Sudedune as long as Johannes son of Robertus Marescal will hold the church of Asprintonia and Wlwardus who then was holding the land of Sudedune promised on oath before the Prior and Convent and Rogerus de Nonant that he would render that aforesaid half marc. That if the aforesaid church will be vacated by the aforesaid Johannes the monks shall have their own church free; and the half marc from the aforesaid land shall be released to Rogerus de Nonant and to his heirs henceforth.

These are the witnesses:

1 Rogerus
2 Guillelmus
3 Thomas.
4 And the other Guillelmus
} monks.
5 Guarinus the chaplain.
6 Ricardus the chaplain.
7, 8 Magister Guillelmus and Henricus de Nonant.
9 Ricardus Baucen.
10 Rogerus Ballard.

Appended yellow wax round seal about two and a half inches diameter, much broken, but showing horseman facing sinister, evidently the seal of Rogerus de Nonant.

This claim upon the land of Sudedone was only a temporary guarantee and can scarcely have remained a permanent possession of the monks.

The only other reference in the Priory Deeds to a locality with similar name is to Southdon, where lease of a tenement and half a ferling of land was granted in 1409 by Prior Johannes Southam. This property rendered suit to the Court of the Priory at Upton and, from other evidence, was in the neighbourhood of Kingswear, and in the parish of Brixham (*Tot. Pr. Deed* cxlvii).

It is probable that Sudedone and Southdon are identical, and that this is the first interest acquired in Kingswear by the Priory.

Wlwardus, rendered in Domesday Book "Vluuardus," is a Saxon name, pronounced Ulward, but the Domesday bearer or bearers of the name are only recorded as being deprived of their holdings.

circa 1134-1138 Tot. Pr. Deed vii.

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost I Rogerius de Nunant son that is to say of Wido son of Rogerius seigneur de Nunant give and concede to the church of Saint Marie de Tototenesia and to the monks serving God there for the souls of my father and of my mother and for

the souls of all my friends and for my safety and of my wife and of my heirs the tithe of my mill of Bredewrth and the fish market which I made on the land of the monks at Asprintona.

I grant also to the same monks eight acres of land in Winesthona which the mother of Robert de Restecumme made a present to them from the land namely which my grandfather Rogerius and my father Wido gave to her in matrimony. I Rogerius have placed this gift or concession in the hand of *Walterius the Prior* in the chapter-house of Toteneis.

Witnessed by:

1 Fulcaudus Abbat of Cameis and all the Convent of brethren.
2 Willelmus filius Herberti.
3 Robertus de Resthecume.
4 Teobaudus de Scoz.

The seal is not appended, and from the appearance of the parchment tag was probably never affixed.

This deed dates between the accession of Rogerius II de Nonant (*circa* 1134) and the death of Abbat Fulcaudus (*post* 1138), and strongly suggests that the mother of Robertus de Restecumme was a sister of Wido and daughter of Rogerius I de Nonant.

2. Willelmus filius Herberti: first mention of the family Fitz Herbert, if at this time the patronymic had acquired the significance of a family name. The lord of Stokenham and of the manor of Yealmton *temp.* King John was a Matthew Fitz-Herbert (Lysons, fo. 462), but he does not occur in the Priory Deeds.

Tot. Pr. Deed viii.

May it be known, etc., that Rogerius de Nonant and his heirs have given and granted to the church of Saint Marie de Toteneis and to the monks that none of their men in the whole land of the aforesaid church shall exact assize or tallage at all which may belong to the King or to the sheriff neither send nor exact by the feudal lords themselves unless they themselves in presence command by word of mouth.

Witness:

1 Ricardus presbiter senex.
2 Hugo medicus.
3 Ricardus clericus.
4 Willelmus de Nonant.
5 Ricardus Balzan.
6 Iordanns tiranyus.
7 Willelmus Galensis miles.

8 Rainaldus Gace.
9 Osbertus Bacon.
10 Galterius falconerius.
11 Robertus Barat.
12 David dispensatorum.
13 Robertus de Campis.
14 Ioscelinus clericus.
15 Amiot carpentarius.

On reverse, CARTA LIBERTATIS.

1. Judging by this first witness the charter was granted in the latter days of Ricardus priest, earlier known as chaplain to the monks.

6. Iordanus tiranyus: probably another form of "Tironensis," or from the town of Tiron, from which Martin Walensis took one of his titles. Lucas de Hoda, one of Martin's followers, had a son Iordan who seems to have been an adherent of Robert fitz Martin, and subsequently of Rogerius II de Nonant (see *Tot. Pr. Deeds* iv, xi, xxi and xxvi): this most likely is the same individual.

Tot. Pr. Deed ix.

I Rogerius de Nonant son of Wido consent to and confirm the gift of Richardus de Pola which gift in that illness of which he died he gave to the church of Saint Marie of Totenes and to the monks of Saint Sergius Andecavis serving God in it.

Namely X solidos which he has been having from the land of Thebecumbe in annual rent. After his death Mauricius his brother and heir in my presence granted the same gift to the above mentioned church and to *Walterius the Prior* and the monks.

Witnesses:

1 Willelmus Buzum.
2 Robertus de Scoz.
3 Willelmus Crispin.
4 Thebaudus prefectus.

Two tags are appended for seals: the second or one inserted in the middle of parchment bears marks of wax.

4. Thebaudus prefectus. This witness was doubtless the provost or prepositus, and is the second recorded name in the list of provosts of Totnes.

Tot. Pr. Deed x.

I Rogerius de Nunant for the souls of my father Wido and of my mother Mabilia, etc., give to God and the Blessed Marie and to the

monks of Saint Sergius living in Totonesio the whole tithe from my hunting whether of hinds or of stags and of hares and other game (*in ceteris vestris*). Ratified by my seal.

Witnesses :

1 Ricardus the priest.
2 Willelmus de Nunant.
3 Iordanus de Hode.

Seal is no longer attached, but appears to have been originally affixed.

1138. 18th December, Robert Chichester, Dean of Salisbury, was consecrated Bishop of Exeter, but proceeded with Archbishop Theobald to Rome.

1155. 28th March he died, according to the obituary of Tywardreath Priory (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 37).

PRIOR HUGO.

circa 1140. Tot. Pr. Deed xxii.

Be it known, etc., that I Brother Hugo by the grace of God then Prior of Tottonia with the general assistance and assent of the whole convent of the same church have granted to lord Lucas de Punchardun to found a certain chapel in our parish in the domain of Galmatum on such condition that the aforesaid Lucas for the soul of lord Henricus de Feugeres and for the souls of his father and mother and of all his ancestors has conceded and given all his tithes of all his domain of Galmatum alive and dead to God and to the church of Saint Marie de Totton and to the monks of Saints Sergius and Bacchus serving God there and we undertake to give three masses yearly namely on the day of the Annunciation of Saint Marie and on the first day of Easter and on the first day of the birth of the Lord to celebrate the divine sacrament and whoever in the meantime has a chantry (*cantaverit*) in the same church (*ecclesia*) all offerings shall be ours.

And the aforesaid Lucas ought to pay separate dues from the same chapel.

Before these witnesses namely :

1 Magister Robertus filius Gille then Archdeacon of Tottonia.
2 Henricus de Nonant.
3 Mabel his wife.
4 Rogerus de Grusci.
5 Ailricus } chaplains.
6 Guarinus }
7 Ricardus probus.
8 Galterus his brother.

9 Robertus de Lugaterius.
10 Galfridus clericus.
11 Marsilius scribe of this cyrographum.

On reverse, Concerning the chapel of Galmaton.

Seal appended is of white wax, the surface of which has been coloured red and, although much broken, shows the effigy of a horseman facing sinister (apparently the general position). In the sinister top corner the letters U C A are the only ones preserved. The seal was originally two and a half inches diameter, and is doubtless the seal of Lucas de Punchardun.

This is the only occurrence of Prior Hugo, and his position in the sequence of Priors is difficult to determine. The general result of evidence suggests about the year 1140.

By lord Henricus de Feugeres is meant the descendant of Radulfus de Felgerus who held Iplepena and Galmentona in Domesday. According to J. R. Planche (*The Conqueror and his Companions*, Vol. ii, fo. 225), Raoul was the third son of Meen or Main II, Baron of Fougeres in Brittany, a contemporary of the Conqueror, by Adelaide his wife. Raoul was succeeded firstly by Meen III, who died without issue, and he by Henri I the next brother in 1137. Henri de Fougeres had, by his wife Olive de Bretagne, three sons, Raoul, Frangal, and Guillaume. Roul II (died 1194) had two wives and four sons, Geoffrey, Iuhel, Guillaume, and Henri. Guillaume, who died in his father's lifetime, on 7th June, 1187, left a son Geoffrey, and a daughter Clemencia who married firstly Alain de Dinant, and secondly Ranulph Blondeville, Earl of Chester. The seal of a William de Fougeres (*Cotton Charters*, 52a, 15) is an example of "armes parlantes," the shield being charged with branches of fern (*fougere*).

This family founded the small house known as Ipplepen Priory, but they do not appear to have resided much in the county. This is the only instance of the name in the Totnes Deeds, and occurs very seldom in the Monasticon and early records of the county.

1. Robert Archdeacon of Totnes witnessed deeds of Bishop Bartholomew, between the years 1161 and 1184 (Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*)

2. Henricus de Nonant was the younger son of Rogerius I. We know from Deed xx that Ricardus was Prior during the early days of the bishopric of Bishop Bartholomew, 1161-1184.

4. This Rogerus de Grusci must be a generation or more earlier than the witness in Buckfast Cartulary Deeds vii and lviii (*Reg. Bishop Grandisson*, Part iii, fo. 1563).

PRIOR AYMERIUS.

circa 1143. Cart. Buckfast Abbey xi.

The fragment of the Cartulary of Buckfast Abbey, most fortunately recovered by Mr. James Pearse, of Exeter, from a mass of waste paper and parchment bought by him, and subsequently transcribed by the Rev. C. Hingeston-Randolph, M.A., has rescued from oblivion this Prior of Totnes. The deed, numbered xi in the transcription, is in reality the sixth in the third part of the Cartulary, the first two parts in all probability are irretrievably lost.

The deed of such great interest to this work is the sale or liberation to the monks of Buckfast, for the sum of three silver marcs, of the service of three men and their families living on the Abbey lands. The names of these serfs are: Ailwinus Lepil, Osmerus his son, and Rogerius de Nordtune. The deed is addressed by R(ogerius) de Nunant to R(obertus de Chichester), Bishop of Exeter (1138-1155), and was drawn up at Exeter, no date being given. It is witnessed by the Bishop, which suggests that it was at the instigation of this friend of the monastical orders in Devon (see *Tot. Pr. Deed* xvi) that Roger de Nunant parted with his serfs.

The other witnesses are of interest as we find some of them attesting the early deeds of Totnes Priory.

2. Hugo the Archdeacon (of Totnes) (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* lxxv, 1149, and xvi, 1143). This witness is undoubtedly Hugo de Avigo or Auco, and is probably identical with the Archdeacon of Cornwall, who witnessed the confirmation by Bishop Robert of the gift of Robertus filius Willelmi to Tywardreth Priory (a sister Priory to Totnes) (Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 41). He also occurs as witness in 1146 (*idem*, fo. 195) and in 1157 (*idem*, fo. 194). Unless the "of Cornwall" is an error, which, although it is the only occurrence is improbable as the deed refers to Cornwall, it is interesting to know whether the appointment to the Archdeaconry of Cornwall preceded that of Totnes. Dr. Oliver, in his list of Archdeacons of Cornwall, gives Hugo de Auco about 1135, and as his successor is William, appointed about 1143, we may reasonably surmise that it was in or about this year, that Archdeacon Hugo was transferred to Totnes, and this limits the date of our deed to some year subsequent to 1143.

3. Gaufridus Prior of Plimtone (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* v, lxxv 1149).

4. Aymerius Prior of Totton.

5. Willelmus Prior of Modberi. This witness does not occur in the Totnes Deeds, but is mentioned by Tanner (*Not. Mon.*, fo. 92) as one of the witnesses to the charter of William Avenel to the Priory of Plimpton

which was made "temp Baldwini comitis" who died 1 Henry II (1154). Modbury Priory was a cell attached to the Benedictine Abbey of St. Pierre sur Dive in the diocese of Seez, Normandy. With the exception of this Prior William, no Prior of Modbury is known earlier than 1275 (Oliver *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 298).

6. Robertus de escoz, occurs witness to Totnes Priory Deeds v, ix, and was a contemporary of Prior Walter. He is fourth witness to a charter of Earl Baldewin de Rivers to the Priory of St. James, Exeter, and tenth witness to the confirmation by Bishop Robert Chichester of same (Oliver *Mon. Dioc. Exon*, fo. 193 and 195).

7. Iuhel filius Nigelli, occurs witness to Totnes Priory Deed iv.

8. Richardus Bauzan, occurs witness to Totnes Priory Deeds vi, xx and xxi. A direct descendant of the same name granted his estate in Holne parish to Buckfastleigh Abbey, about the year 1258. The continued use of the same Christian name generation after generation makes identification difficult and great caution necessary in the case of these undated deeds.

9. Radulphus de Brioune. This family name does not occur in the Totnes Deeds, it is doubtless identical with Brion, Brioniis, but Radulphus does not occur again in the Buckfast Cartulary nor in any deed quoted by Dr. Oliver.

10. Nicholaus dapifer, probably the steward of Roger de Nunant, his name does not occur elsewhere.

11. Robertus de Martinum.

12. Rainaldus Waze.

13. Richardus filius Radulfi.

14. Willelmus, steward of the Bishop.

The evidence afforded by these contemporaries of Prior Aymerius, the only evidence as yet in our possession, points to this deed having been written between 1143 and 1155, with perhaps the suggestion that it was brought about soon after the appointment of Archdeacon Hugo to Totnes in or about the year 1143.

During the Episcopate of Robert Chichester (1138—1155) confirmation was granted of the appropriation to Tywardreth Priory of the church of St. Austell (*Reg. Bp. R. Chichester*, fo. 2). The witnesses, including Archdeacon Bartholomew, who became Bishop of the diocese in 1161, are given, but there is no official present connected with the sister house of Tottonia.

PRIOR GUILLELMUS GALENSIS.

Tot. Pr. Deed xi.

May it be known etc. that Guillelmus de Lingeure at his death for the redemption of his soul gave to the church of St. Marie de Totones, and to the monks of the holy martyrs of Christ Sergus and Bachus serving God there, two ferlings of land in the manor of Hivis—with a certain fishery which is in the same manor. This very gift and the concession of the land of Hivis and of the fishery the wife of the aforesaid Guilelmus de Lingeure, on the day on which her husband the aforesaid Guillemus was buried (being present), in the chamber of lord Rogerius de Nonant over the covering (*textum*, possibly a relic) of Saint Mary in the hand of lord Guillelmus Galensis the monk placed together with a certain (left blank) "*empulo*" which the same Guillelmus bought for one denarium from a certain man named Huneman. Concerning this gift *Guillelmus Galensis who at that time ruled the church of St. Marie* and other monks requested the confirmation of lord Rogerius de Nonant in whose fief the same land was. Who that is to say Rogerius de Nonant, most gladly agreed to the aforesaid gift and ratified it with his seal excepting by jurisdiction of the King. And in order that this gift and this concession should hold good Guillelmus Galensis the monk and other monks gave to lord Rogerius a gold ring and another gold ring they gave Horres the wife of Guillelmus de Lingeure. She indeed granted to the church of Saint Marie to hold in perpetuity the aforesaid land and fishery without opposition and ratified with her seal.

Witnesses, on the part of the monks :

1 Guillelmus Galensis m—o (*monacho* or *magistro*).
2 Guillelmus the scribe.
3 Milo.
4 Godefredus.
5 Ricardus the chaplain.
6 Iohannes the physician.

De Laicis (on the part of the laity) :

7 Rogerius de Nonant.
8 Guido de Nonant his son.
9 Ricardus Balzan.
10 Guillelmus de Westona.
11 Guillelmus filius Ascelinus.
12 Herbertus Bolzon.
13 Rogerius Gross.

14 Ulf the clerk.

15 Ricardus clerk of Cornoulda.

16 the lady Aeliz wife of Rogerius de Nonant, and many others.

On reverse. Concerning Hivis 2 ferlings and a fishery.

Although there is a slit for insertion of tag it does not appear that latter was ever inserted or seal attached. More likely it is a record simply of a charter known to be lost, and although the writing is probably of several years later, it is placed in its approximate chronological position according to contents and the names of witnesses.

This gift of two ferlings (sixty acres) in "Hivis" is the second such gift to the Priory by the family of "de Lingeure," two ferlings in "Chevelestune," having been granted by Girbertus, son of Willelmus de Linguire (*Tot. Pr. Deed* iii), probably father of the present Guillelmus who in turn would be the parent of the Willelmus de Linguire, third witness to Totnes Priory Deed xxv.

The name of "Willelmus Galensis miles" occurs as seventh witness to Totnes Priory Deed viii. There seems no reason to doubt that this is the same man as Guillelmus Galensis of the above deed. Following the custom of the time he may have entered the Priory during the latter years of his life, and if a man of presence and good family may soon have been appointed as we learn in the deed "to rule the church of St. Mary." This phrase is the only justification for placing this monk in the list of Priors, but the part taken by him in the above ceremony seems to point to his position as being head of the house.

The blank space for word omitted in the deed shows that the scribe was in a difficulty to explain the purchase made by Guillelmus Galensis; but we may surmise that it was a casket to contain the veil (if that is the correct interpretation of *textum*) of Saint Mary.

15. Ricardus, clerk of Cornoulda. It does not seem possible that Cornwood can be meant. The dedication of the church, as given by Oliver, was on the 19th June, 1336 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.* fo. 447) and only temporal possessions are recorded by the Abbey of Tavistock and the Priory of Plympton in the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV (1288-1291) (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 467). More probably this witness was the chaplain to the Priory of Cornworthy, if not incumbent of the church there.

Tot. Pr. Deed xii.

Rogerus de Nunant to the lady Adeliz his wife and to his barons and to his soldiers and to his citizens greeting: Be it known that the church of St. Marie of Tot' and the monks serving God there by the gift of my

father and in his time and afterwards by my consent have had the gift of the tithe of the farm which they were rendering to the provost and generally that is to say XXIIII, solidos annually. Now in the course of my journey to Saint Jacobus because the castle farm *(firma castelli)* has increased and in my time grown larger for the love of God and of Saint Jacobus and for the souls of my ancestors I give and concede to the brethren of the church of Saint Marie the whole tithe of my rent from the burgh in perpetuity and if finally when it is in order it may be possible to augment the farm I always wish and concede that the monks may have the tithe.

Be it known that with my own hand I have placed this gift upon the altar of Saint Marie. With these witnesses:

1 Ricardus the priest.
2 Radulfus the chaplain.
3 Richardus son of Odo.
4 Rogerus de Reg^{r} (probably of Rheims).
5 Willelmus filius Herberti.
6 Rogerus Grossus.

Appended pink seal of horseman with sword in right hand facing sinister.

Pilgrimage undertaken by Rogerius de Nonant to St. Jacobus. This was not improbably to the shrine of St. James the Greater, son of Zebedee, the patron saint of Santiago, from whom the town derived its name. From the IX century, when the presence of the Saint's sepulchre is supposed to have been revealed to Bishop Theodomir, of Iria, by the appearance of a star of exceptional magnitude, Santiago became a great resort of pilgrims. King Alonso II caused a chapel to be built over the interment. The body of the Saint after execution by the order of Herod is believed to have been transported in a colossal shell, hence the scallop shell has always remained the emblem of the pilgrim on his way to or from Santiago: the compostella, a small parchment decorated with scallop shells, surmounted by the figure of a pilgrim and signed by a Canon of the church, was a certificate that the pilgrimage had been performed.

Another account, in the "Encyclopedie Theologique," by M. l'Abbé Migne, pub. 1851, seems to identify the relics as those of St. James the Less, whose festival with St. Philip was kept on the 1st May, according to Robert of Gloucester (*Medii Aevi Kalendarium*, by R. T. Hampson, Vol. ii, fo. 211). The account by Mons. l'Abbé Migne is as follows:

St. James was the first Bishop of Jerusalem and governed for thirty years. Having ascended one Easter-day to the top of the Temple to preach to the people, he was thrown therefrom by the Jewish priests and stoned by the populace. He died 1st May, A.D. 63, the day kept as his festival conjointly with another apostle Saint Philip.

Many European towns possess relics of this Saint, Paris, Antwerp and others, but Compostella, capital of Galicia, is the principal.

The translation of the head of St. James took place from Jerusalem in the time of the Emperor Alfonso, placed at Saint Zoyle de Carrion, and subsequently sent to Compostelle by Urraque, mother of Alfonso. The translation was made by Didaque Gelmirez, first titular Archbishop of Compostelle, created in 1123. The rest of the body, recovered in a miraculous manner, was brought to Spain after the taking of Jerusalem.

In 1420, on the 6th June, Henry Beaufort Bishop of Winchester addressed a letter to King Henry V, on the occasion of the latter's marriage, at Troyes, to Catherine, daughter of Charles VI King of France. The Bishop excuses himself for not being present "at that blessid gladde mariage" because when last he was "on the grette see" he had made a vow that if he safely reached England he would not pass any sea, save on pilgrimage, until he had been to St. James (of Compostella) (*Manuscript* in the Museum of the Pub. Record Office).

Doubtless many devout Devonians made this at times perilous journey. In Cockington Parish Church is the figure in stained glass of a pilgrim, supposed to represent Robert Cary, who in 1518 made this pilgrimage, previously making his will and endowing the church (R. Mallock, *Cockington before the Restoration*, fo. 27).

PRIOR RICARDUS.

Tot. Pr. Deed xiii.

Richardus Prior of Totonia and the Convent have given their church of Aspernat' to Iohannes clerk of lord Roger de Nunant with all tithes and first fruits of the whole parish except those of the monks. The said Iohannes shall render annually to the sacristan[1] of Totonia half a mark of silver from that church and this he took an oath to do in the Chapter-house before the Convent. The same Prior with the assent of the whole Convent gave the land of Torra in exchange for the church-land to the aforesaid Iohannes.

1 Although the word "secretario" is used, doubtless sacristan is intended.

This gift was made in full chapter before

1 lord Rogerus de Nunant.
2 Wido de Nunant.
3 Henricus.
4 Eustachius clerk.
5 Ricardus chaplain.
6 Eu (parchment cut away).
7 Robertus nepos (grandson).
8 Aron.
9 Robertus de Campis.
10 Wido (parchment cut away—probably de Brittevilla).
11 ? de Corneworthy.

The land of Torra referred to in the above deed, is doubtless the property mentioned in the confirmation of Rogerius de Nunant to the Priory (*Tot. Pr. Deed* v). Possibly the church land was inferior, uncultivable, or had been converted to some use. The lord of the manor had built a fish-market on part of the land of the monks (*Tot. Pr. Deed* vii), but without knowledge of what was the original land allotted to the church it is difficult to even surmise the reason for the above arrangement. The land of Torra was possibly in the valley known as Torcombe, three-quarters of a mile east of Ashprington.

This deed is entered here owing to the mention of Prior Ricardus. As far as can be ascertained both Rogerus I, and his grandson Rogerus II, had sons Wido and Henricus. A Prior Ricardus occurs four times in the Priory Deeds (xiii, xix, xx and xxi). In Deeds xix and xxi this Prior is known as Ricardus de Gré, and are undoubtedly of the latter period of the XII century. Deed xx is certainly subsequent to 1161. Deed xi, xii and xiii seem to be written by the same hand, so that there is no justification for attributing the reference in Deed xiii to an earlier Prior Ricardus.

circa **1145.** Tot. Pr. Deed xv.

May it be known to all present as well as future that I Cadellus son of King Grifinus for my soul and for the soul of my father and of my mother and for the souls of all my friends give and grant to the monks of Totonia the church of Saint Petrus de Mabonio with all its belongings namely in lands and tithes in meadows in woods in waters in fisheries just as they held in the time of King Henry and that the monks and their men may have firm peace and that they may possess their things in perpetuity I confirm this by oath and by my seal. These are made in the house

of lord Cadellus over the water of Teivi near the church of Saint Petrus.

Witnesses:

1 Canaan the deacon uncle of Cadellus.
2 David brother of Cadellus.
3 Coured his sewer (*dapifer*) (writing is very distinct and is certainly "u" and not "n.")
4 Guffus our clerk.
5 Cadivor the priest, and many others.

The seal appended is of yellow wax, and shows a knight in chain armour on horseback facing to sinister, the right hand of knight holds sword uplifted behind him, the left hand grasps reins on mane. Body of horse is very elongated, the left fore foot raised. At bottom of shield the letters FILIIGR are still shown. Diameter of seal appears originally to have been two and a half inches.

In 1121 Gruffydd ap Rhys (son of Rhys ap Tewdior heir of Cadell son of Rhodri the Great, King of Wales, Cadell being the eldest of the three diademed princes of Wales, who owned Ceredigion, and had his palace at Dinevwr) came to terms with King Henry of England, and received confirmation of his estates. As reference is made in the above deed to the fact that the monks of Totnes possessed the church of St. Peter de Mabonio in the time of King Henry, it must have been originally granted them either by Gruffydd ap Rhys, father of Cadellus, or even by the latter's grandfather, Rhys ap Tewdwr, who founded the original monastery of Ystrad Flur, subsequently rebuilt in 1164, and known as the Cistercian house of Strata Florida.

But if originally the gift of an ancestor of Cadellus, of which this document would be merely a confirmation, we should expect to find some mention of the donor, as the Welsh princes were proud of their descent, and the omission of such a reference suggests that the original grant may have been made by Robert fitz Martin (scarcely by his father Martin Tironensis, for he died 1089). Although this Norman represented the conqueror of South Wales we learn that the son of Robert fitz Martin subsequently married Angharad, daughter of Rhys ap Gryffydd, and therefore niece of the Cadellus of this Deed (Pritchard *Cardigan Priory* fo. 10.)

In 1135 on his accession, King Stephen summoned Gruffydd ap Rhys to answer complaints made against him by his Norman neighbours. In reply Gruffydd collected his forces, suddenly attacked the Normans in Cardiganshire and drove all the retainers of the De Clares out of the country, taking Aberyswith Castle. Finally they met the English forces

near the river Teifi; where the Welsh are said to have killed 3000. The English were under the command of Stephen the Castellan of Cardigan with his step-sons and Robert Fitz Martin, son of the conqueror of Cemmaes: only a miserable remnant of their army escaped to the Norman castles of the Vale of Glamorgan. In this battle was killed Richard, eldest son of Gilbert de Clare, the conqueror of Cardigan. (*Hist. Cistercian Abbey of Strata Florida*, by S. W. Williams).

In this year therefore (1135) Gruffydd recovered all his lands from the Normans.

In 1136 Gruffydd son of Rhys died. There is no record where he was buried. According to the Welsh law of "gavelkind" his estates were divided among his six legitimate sons:

1. Rhys ap Gruffydd who founded Strata Florida Abbey.
2. Anarawd, murdered in North Wales in 1142.
3. Meredydd, called the "Lord of Cardigan," who died in 1153, aged twenty-five.
4. Cadell, who received a portion of Dyfed.
5. Morgan } slain in the attack on Kidwelly Castle probably about
6. Maelgwyn } 1137.

Two daughters also are recorded by Gruffydd's marriage with Gwenllian (beheaded with her youngest son after the futile attack on Kidwelly Castle).

7. Gwladys, who married Morgan son of Caradoc.
8. Nest.

In 1138 the Irish under four Welsh princes, Anaraud, Cadell, Owain, and Cadwaladr, with fifteen ships full of men came to Aberteivi (Cardigan) at Martinmas, and made great slaughter all the way (up the river). They also pillaged the town and church of Llandudoch (which is St. Dogmael's) and carried off exceeding great booty to their ships (*Hist. of St. Dogmael's*, fo. 49). This is probably the record of a raid, and cannot refer to the Cadell of this deed, who according to the computation of his age when he died in 1178 was only born in 1130. The Cadwaladr mentioned is probably the son of Gruffydd ap Cynan, and father in law of Anaraud, who is said to have murdered the latter in a family brawl.

Subsequent to the death of Anarawd, in 1142, the three brother Rhys, Meredydd, and Cadell, are said to have ruled jointly and, what is more extraordinary in the history of the times, to have agreed amongst themselves.

In 1145, Rhys ap Gruffydd, assisted by his brother Cadell, who is mentioned as a brave and gallant soldier, made a determined attempt to

oust Earl Gilbert de Clare from his father's castles of Dinevwr and Carmarthen. In this they were successful, and Cadell, after repairing Carmarthen Castle, attacked Kidwelly.

In 1150 Cadell, while hunting in the great forest of Coedtraeth, which lay between Saundersfoot and Pendine, was attacked by some Flemings from Tenby who probably resented his intrusion, and was severely wounded. His brothers Rhys and Meredydd avenged his attempted murder the following year, and Cadell on his partial recovery, entrusting his affairs to the management of his brothers, set out on a pilgrimage to the East. According to the "Annales Cambriae" he visited Rome in 1157, eventually became a Cistercian monk in the Abbey of Strata Florida which his brother Rhys had re-endowed about 1164, and died there in 1178, aged probably forty-eight.

Rhys ap Gruffyd, or Rhaesus Magnus as he is known by some historians, founded also the Premonstratensian Abbey of Talley (Tallacht-y-Llycham) in Caermarthenshire, the only foundation of the Order in Wales (*Not. Mon.*, Tanner). It was an off-shoot, just as Torre Abbey was, of the mother-house of Welbeck, in Nottinghamshire. Rhys died in 1197, and seems to have left many descendants by others than his wife Gwenllian, daughter of Madocap Meredydd, Lord of Bromfield, by whom he had four sons and two daughters. This prevalence of illegitimacy probably explains the second witness, "David brother of Cadellus," no such legitimate brother being recorded.

From the above abstract of what is known of the life of Cadellus, the deed certainly dates subsequent to 1136, and not improbably subsequent to 1153, when Meredydd his brother died and Cadell had returned from his first pilgrimage, in the course of which he very likely visited Totnes and received the assistance of the Benedictines on his journey. The pilgrimage may even have been to the mother-house of SS. Sergius and Bachus at Angers.

The "comot" of *Mabwynion* was allotted to Maelgion ap Rhys in 1216. May this not be the locality occupied by the church of St. Petrus de *Mabonio ?* May not "super aquam de Teivi" be the rendering for Aberteivi, *i.e.*, Cardigan?

The church of St. Petrus de Mabonio referred to seems to be unrecognisable.

According to the charter of Rhys ap Gruffyd Lord of Cardigan, granted about 1165 to the Priory of Cardigan, he gave to the Abbat and monks

of St. Peter's Chertsey, the cell of Cardigan with all its appurtenances; to wit the church of St. Mary Cardigan, with the chapel of *St. Peter de Castello*, etc., etc.; the church of *St. Peter of Berwick* (now Verwig) with its chapels and half a carucate of land adjoining, etc., etc. (Miss E. M. Pritchard, *Cardigan Priory*, fo. 28). Miss Pritchard (*ibidem*, fo. 131) notes that there is no trace of the chapel of St. Peter de Castello, which was served by the Benedictines from the Priory, though many bones were dug up years ago to the north end of the castle.

The church of Cardigan, mentioned in the charter of Henry I granting the Priory of Llanbadarn to the monks of Gloucester, is known as the *church of the Holy Trinity*.

Curiously the old name for Barnstaple, according to Leland, was "Abertaw (in the Brittain's tongue) because it stands towards the mouth of Taw river" (*Barnstaple Records*, Vol. ii, fo. 213). In a writ dated 1326 it is known as "ville de Tawe mouth." The parish church of Barnstaple is dedicated to St. Peter, and is assigned to the year 1318, 9th September, when Bishop Stapledon certainly dedicated the parish church of Barnstaple (*Reg. Bp. Stapledon*, fo. 137), but undoubtedly the church was known as St. Peter's earlier. On August 3rd, 1233, Bishop Briwere fixed the portion of the vicar of the parish church of St. Peter (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, 196 and 200), and in the charter of Ioel filius Aluredi the church "Sancti Petri de Berdestaple" is also mentioned (*ibidem*, Num. ii, fo. 198).

The identification of "de Mabonio" as the "comot of Mabwynion," if correct, certainly vetoes the possibility that Barnstaple is intended. The absence of any further record of the possession of this church of St. Peter can only be explained in one of two ways: either the Priory was unable (and perhaps did not try) to substantiate its claim, in which case the grant of Cadellus was probably repudiated by his brothers, Rhys and Meredydd; or, as we know Cadellus finally retired to Strata Florida, some exchange or purchase may have taken place with Totnes Priory of which we have no record.

1143.
Tot. Pr. Deed xvi.

Be it known to future and present that I Robertus by the grace of God bishop of Exeter have granted and confirmed to the church of Saint Sergius Andegavis the church of the Blessed Marie de Toteneis with all appurtenances belonging to it that is to say the church of Brixaham and its chapel of Chirchetune and the church of Asprinetune with all their

appurtenances and possessions which the lords of Totonia or their men have given or are about to give reasonably to the aforesaid church of Toteneis to the service of God and keeping regularly a convent of XII monks there following the order of St. Benedict. And that the reasonable and just donation of theirs and my concession may remain firm and unshaken to the present writing I am witness and have corroborated by my seal reserving in all things episcopal jurisdiction and custom.

Drawn up in the year from the incarnation of the Lord *1143*.

King Stephanus reigning in England.

Archbishop Thebaldus occupying the Metropolitain seat.

Witnesses:

1 Walterius Archdeacon of Exeter.
2 Hugo de Augo Archdeacon of Totoneis.
3 Willelmus Treasurer of Exeter.
4 Richardus son of Rainfredus
5 Richardus the sinner *(peccator)* } Canons of Exeter.
6 Richardus de Wance
7 Baldewinus
8 Brictius } clerks of the Bishop.
9 Odo
10 Gaufridus socrit (perhaps meant for "secretarius.")
11 Thebaldus deacon.

On reverse. —Concerning Brixam concerning Curchetun and concerning Asprintun.
—The church of Tottenesii and Briseham and Asprintun.
—Confirmation and assent of Robertus Bishop of Exeter on account of the churches of Totton', Brixham, the chapel of Churchetun and the church of Aysprington.

Appended a yellow oval seal attached to red silk cord, stitched up in canvas for protection. The seal bears ecclesiastical full length figure (head broken) with pastoral staff in left hand.

In right top edge LLVM·R.

Robert Chichester, Bishop of Exeter 1138-1155.

1. Walter de Coutances, Archdeacon of Exeter, occurs 1143.

2. Hugo de Avigo, Archdeacon of Cornwall about 1135, occurs as Archdeacon of Totnes 1143.

3. Willelmus, Treasurer of Exeter Cathedral, died 14th February, 1154 (Oliver, *Bishops of Exeter*).

1143. Tot. Pr. Deed xvii.

T(eobaldus) by the grace of God Archbishop of Canterbury and primate of all England to the venerable brother and friend R(oberto Chichester) Bishop of Exeter greeting. Be it known to the beloved brotherhood since that thou hast granted and by your charter confirmed Rogerius de Nunant's churches of Brixeham and of Clist with chapels and all things belonging to them to the monks of St. Sergius Andegavis serving God in the church of St. Mary of Toteneis we grant and confirm and by the authority of our letters corroborate and have ratified your confirmation to them. Commanding that they may hold in perpetual peace and quietude nor shall anyone presume under anathema to molest injure or diminish their possessions. To be in force.

Appended oval brick-coloured seal three inches long of ecclesiastic with right hand raised in act of benediction. On left side inscription has been broken away, on the dexter the following letters can be read LLI—EPIS—CATUARIENSI.

Theobald, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1139-1162.

Robert Chichester, Bishop of Exeter, 1138-1155.

The letter is probably soon after the translation of Theobald in 1139, according to the preceding deed 1143.

1155.

5th June, Robert Warelwast, nephew to William Warelwast third Bishop of Exeter, was consecrated successor to Bishop Robert Chichester by Theobald Archbishop of Canterbury. He had been for seventeen years Dean of Salisbury.

1161.

22nd March he died, and was buried at first, according to Godwin, near his episcopal uncle in Plympton Priory, but certainly subsequently removed to Exeter.

Between 1154 and 1161. Tot. Pr. Deed xviii.

H(enricus) King of the English and Duke of Normandy and Aquitaine and Count of Anjou to the Bishop of Exeter, to the Justices and Sheriffs and Barons and Ministers and to all his faithful of Devonshire greeting.

Be it known that I have conceded and confirmed to the church of Saint Sergius And(egavensis) and to the monks serving God in the church of the Blessed Mary de Toteneisio all the gifts which Rogerus de Nonnant and his antecedents and his barons and others faithful have conferred upon the same church just as the charter of King H(enricus) my grandfather witnessed and confirmed.

I grant also to the aforesaid church all gifts which Christ's faithful afterwards have given to the true church in churches and tithes and lands

and in all rents and which in future posterity justly and reasonably has decreed to give to the aforesaid church.

Witnessed by:

1 Tom (a) Cancellario.
2 Gaufridus decanus Sancti Laudi.
3 Robertus de Donestanville.
4 Ricardus de Hum' constab (ularius).
5 Hamerus pincernum (the cup-bearer).
at Westmonasterium.

Thick leather tag appended shows signs of having been sealed probably with the great seal of Henry II.

1. This would be during the Chancellorship of Thomas à Becket, *i.e.*, between 1154 and 1161, but is probably not synchronical with the charter of King Henry to Buckfast Abbey (Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 374) as, with the exception of Thomas the Chancellor, the witnesses are all different.

2. A Gaufridus de Sancto Laudo, chaplain, was the fourteenth witness to the confirmation of the possessions of Plympton Priory in 1133 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 137).

3. A Ricardus de Dunstanvilla, clerk of Bishop Robertus Warelwast, occurs in 1157 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 194).

4. Ricardus de Humet (a St. Sauveur family) held land in Sussex *ante* 1159 (Yeatman, *Arundel*, fo. 283).

1161. Bartholomew was consecrated Bishop of Exeter shortly after the death of Archbishop Theobald, on the 18th April, as the latter in his last illness commissioned his own brother Walter, Bishop of Rochester, to perform the ceremony. One of the most distinguished of Exeter's bishops he died
1184. on 15th December, 1184. He was a great patron of Baldwin his poor townsman, who afterwards rose to be Archbishop of Canterbury (1185). A Baldewinus is recorded as clerk of Bishop Robert Chichester, and seventh witness to Totnes Priory Deed xv. Bishop Bartholomew won the title of "a great adversary of Archbishop Thomas à Beckett," but Dr. Oliver has shown that he certainly became reconciled when the Archbishop was exiled, and was selected to preach on the occasion of the reconciliation of Canterbury Cathedral after the murder of the Primate.

Tot. Pr. Deed xix. This is the agreement between the church of Saint Marie de Toten' and Willelmus filius Stephani that Willelmus has given in the manor of

Tunstal X solidos to God and to the church of Saint Marie de Toten' in perpetual gift for the safety of his soul and of his father and mother and of his antecedents. And this agreement Willelmus himself confirmed by his faith that is to say these X solidos rent every year by his hand as by the hands of his servants at two terms namely V solidos at Easter and V at the festival of Saint Micahel as long as Willelmus himself will have assigned the aforesaid rent to the aforesaid church there so otherwise in land according to the legitimate desire of the same church.

Willelmus himself commanded also that whoever may succeed him should hold the same agreement from his heirs.

Witnesses:

1 *Ricardus de Gre then Prior.*
2 Rogerius
3 Clarebaldus } monks.
4 Ancheas
5 Iohannes
6 Engeramus
7 Ricardus the chaplain.
8 Eustachius the clerk.
9 Rogerus de Nun(ant).
10 R(icardus) de Gruci.
11 R(icardus) the deacon.
12 Willelmus de Westun.
13 Willelmus filius Azelin (probably Asceline).
14 Goscelinus filius Aubree (Aubrincis=Avranche), and many others.

Along the left edge of parchment are the tops of letters reading CIROGRAPHUM.

No tag or seal attached.

In the case of the grantor of this deed, as in other instances (see Fitz Herberts of Stokenham and the Fitz-Matthews of Blackawton) it is difficult to detect where or in what generation a patronymic first becomes a family name. The family which for many generations held the manor of Tunstal became known as the Fitz-Stephens, and in Totnes Priory Deed xxix, Ricardus filius Stephani is subsequently entitled Ricardus filius Stephani filius Willelmi. In the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey (fo. 25b) there is indexed a confirmation concerning Tunstalle by Ricardus filius Willelmi and (*ibidem*, fo. 25b) also the charter of Willelmus filius Stephani. The actual deeds are not entered in the "Dublin" Cartulary but are

fortunately recorded in the "Exchequer" copy (fo. 62) where the confirmation is in the name of Ricardus filius Willelmi filius Stephani, the reverse order of the Totnes record. There seems no doubt, however, that (in *Tot. Pr. Deed* xxix) Ricardus had adopted the family name Fitz-Stephen, but was really the son of William filius Stephani. Was the donor of Tunstal Church to Thorre Abbey William Fitz-Stephen of that family name, or was his father named Stephen? Fortunately this query is definitely answered in Totnes Priory Deed xxviii, where we are told that "Stephanus de Tunstealle" was the father of Willelmus filius Stephani and Basilia wife of Fulco. Was the donor of Tunstal Church the same Willelmus filius Stephani who gave X solidi annually to Totnes Priory from his manor of Tunstal as recorded above? (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xix).

The gift of Tunstal Church was subsequent to 1196, the gift of X solidi was in the time of Ricardus de Gre, Prior of Totnes. The only positive evidence we have of the date of Prior Richard's rule is in Totnes Priory Deed xx where he occurs as contemporary of Bishop Bartholomew (1161-1184). Both Deeds xix and xx suggest by their writing rather the middle than the end of the twelfth century, so that the only conclusion we can venture is that the above grant was made possibly on the accession of Willelmus filius Stephani to the manor of Tunstal *circa* 1160-70, or during the previous decade, and that the church of Tunstal was given to Thorre Abbey quite in the last years of William Fitz-Stephen's life, *i.e.* subsequent to 1196.

Between 1161 and 1184. Tot. Pr. Deed xx.

May the present and future know that I Rogerus de Nunant have given to the church of Saint Marie de Totoneis and to the monks serving God the land which is called Strichefort with all appurtenances just as Edwardus the physician held it and the two sons of Edwi namely Geslinus and Edwardus and their heirs in perpetual gift quit from all land service unless of danegeld and marchetum (in original "denegodis[1] et murchis"[2]) as much as belongs to half a furling in that manor and which they have held well and peacefully for long time until it was needful to me to deprive them and to give to Willelmus Buzun for his collecting (*per coaccionem*=bringing together) who was my master (*magister*) and which Willelmus held until he returned it to my hands then it behoved me by the advice of the bishop and of my men to restore that (land) to the monks, on condition that if the heirs of Willelmus Bucun ought to recover by justice and by force

1 Danegeld was a tax of two solidos laid on every hide of land by the Danes.
2 Marchetum, a fine to the lord for the marriage of a tenant's daughter.

I Rogerus de Nunant or my heirs might render the equivalent of half a furlong of land from the same manor, either to the monks who formerly had it and justly or to the heirs of Willelmus Buzun who by that intrusion had obtained it to whomever of them shall have given the greater cause.

This restitution and this charter is made with the assent of Bishop Bartholomew (Exeter 1161-1184) and with the consent of Wido de Nunant and Henricus his brother.

Witnessed by

1 Johannes the treasurer.
2 Turstan the clerk.
3 Galfridus son of Tirus.
4 Ricardus the deacon.
5 Goscelinus the priest.
6 Engeravinus the chaplain of Tottonia.
7 Wido de Boculon then sewer (dapifer).
8 Willelmus de Westune
9 Serlo de Honne.
10 Ricardus Bauzan.
11 Wido Crocca.
12 Martino.
13 Iohannes the clerk.
14 Peruglas son of Serlo.
15 Ricardus de Nun(ant).
16 Willelmus Daco.
17 Gilbertus son of Teubaldus.

and many others and in the time of Ricardus the Prior.

On reverse "de Strikeford."

White seal secured now by wire pin, has been appended and shows horseman facing sinister, doubtless the seal of Rogerus de Nunant.

Strichefort in all probability is the village of Stretchford, two miles west of Staverton.

It is obvious that Buzun and Bucun in this deed is the same name. The Rev. Hingeston Randolph thought "there were two families of similar name—Bauceyn and Bozum—both seated near Totnes; the names of both are spelt variously in the MSS., and it is often difficult to decide which is meant" (Index to *Fragment of Buckfast Abbey Cartulary*, *Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, Part iii, fo. 1741). References to this family are collected in a special chapter, *q.v.*

1. Iohannes the Treasurer. John de Sarisberia occurs in 1174, and John of Exeter occurs about 1186 (Oliver, *Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 283). Considering the period of Bishop Bartholomew the witness is probably John de Sarisberia.

7. Wido de Boculon. This name, as well as the deed, is very clearly written, but does not occur in other contemporary records. A Guy de Bochelonde, witness to three deeds in Buckfast Cartulary, may be the same individual, but he is nowhere designated "dapifer."

8. A Godefridus de Westona gave the land of Hamma to Plympton Priory with the consent of his overlord Robertus Bulzun (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 135), *temp.* probably *ante* Henry II.

9. Serlo de Holna occurs in the Buckfast Cartulary (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, Part iii, fo. 1594-1598). In Buckfast Deed xlvi, not later than *temp.* King Stephen (*i.e.*, 1154).

10. This witness also occurs with Wido de Bochelonde, Serlo de Holna and others in Buckfast Deed xliv, *temp.* Ricardus (Pilot 1160-69), Prior of Plympton (not Ricardus de Tregony, 1280, as suggested by Rev. Hingeston Randolph).

11. Guy Crocca also occurs witness to deeds by Henricus and Rogerus de Nunant, sons of Rogerus de Nunant (*Buckfast Cartulary*, Deeds vii-ix).

14. Peruglas son of Serlo. This name is given in the Buckfast Cartulary, where it occurs some nine times as Urglal, whose wife was Sara, and their son and heir Thomas de Holna.

16. A Willelmus Dacus junior occurs last witness to a deed by Rogerus de Nunant in the lifetime of his wife Alicia and sons Guido and Henricus (*Buckfast Cartulary*, Deed vi). A Rotbertus Dacus occurs 1133 and also between the years 1186 and 1191, and again in the year 1157 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 137, 138 and 194).

Probably between 1162 and 1165. Tot. Pr. Deed xxi.

Be it known to present and future that I Adelesia de Nunant have given and granted the land of Dunbert to God and Saint Marie of Totonia and to the monks serving God there in perpetual gift for the soul of Rodbertus filius Martini and for the soul of my son Rodbert as free and quit as I have held the same that is to say from the water of Totonia just as the cave (*antrum*) stretches as far as the cliff of the Derte so that I have retained in my hand all the water of the Derte as far as the land of Dunbert shall extend and the water which is between the aforesaid land and Totonia I have quit claimed, and this donation my

son Willelmus has agreed to and my daughter Mabilia and with me have offered the aforenamed land upon the altar of Saint Marie.

On the next Sabbath day after the death of my son Rodbertus whose body rests in the chapter-house of Totonia and in recognition of this gift *Ricardus de Gre* then at the time Prior of Totonia gave to my son Willelmus one talent and the same to my daughter Mabilia.

Witnesses:

1 Roggerius de Nunant.
2 Martin son of Bodin who knit together the "cutellum" of the gift.
3 Alfred Wace.
4 Serlo de Holna.
5 Thomas his son.
6 Willelmus Hiricun.
7 Galfridus Barnage.
8 Iordanus de Houda.
9 Rogerus his son.
10 Ricardus Bauzan.
11 Ricardus deacon of Totonia.
12 Rogerus the deacon.
13 Hosbertus de Holna.
14 Micahel priest of Dertintonia.
15 Iocelinus chaplain of Totonia.
16 Warinus chaplain.
17 Lodowicus de Teintona.
18 Ricardus the clerk.
19 Nicholaus son of Fordvive (or Fordviye.)
20 Radufus the monk.
21 Ricardus the honest (probus).
22 Reginaldus the harpist (Citharedus).
23 Galfridus the chamberlain.
24 Willelmus de Stowa.
25 Ricardus son of Alfred.
26 Willelmus the clerk who made this charter at Dertintonia.

Seal now completely broken away was wrapped in black silk which still adheres to the leather tag.

From the above deed we conclude that Adelesia de Nunant was the wife of Rodbertus filius Martini, who, from the brief reference at the date of this transaction had probably been dead for some years. Three children are mentioned: Rodbert, who from the fact that he bore his

father's name and was honoured by burial in the Priory chapter-house, was most probably the eldest son; Willelmus who succeeded to the Dartington estate, married Avicia (*Close Rolls*, 17 John, pt. 1, m. 4) and died 17 King John, 1215 (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxix, fo. 499), and Mabilia his sister. In 1161 the Honour of Dartington was held by Robert Fitz Martin (*Pipe Roll*, 8 Henry II). His father had died previous to 1158 (*Victoria Hist. Devon*, fo. 565). Dartington and Holne were held by Alice de Nonant in 1176, 1177 and 1182 (*Pipe Roll*, 22, 23 and 28 Henry II). She probably received Holne as a marriage portion from her brother Rogerius de Nonant. In 1186-7 presumably Alice de Nonant's second and surviving son Willelmus, if not still a minor, had not succeeded to his father's property, as in that year Alice de Nonant's estates were seized into the King's hands because she had married without leave (*Pipe Roll*, 33 Henry II), whom we do not know. From the evidence of the Pipe Rolls of Henry II (No. 461) Roger de Nonant no longer occurs after 1165-6, when he owes for those serving in Wales £76 5*s*. The date suggested for this deed is therefore the period 1162-1165, and more likely the later years.

The burial of Rodbertus, son of Rodbertus filius Martini and Adelesia de Nunant, is the only recorded interment in the chapter house of Totnes Priory.

The land of Dunbert would be above the present weir.

2. A Martin Bodin witnessed Buckfast Cartulary Deeds xvi and lx, the latter a grant and quit claim by Ricardus Bauceyn knight. A Philippus Bodin was contemporary of Rogerus de Grusci, Willelmus de Linguire, Gwido Crocca, and Rogerus de Hilesham, *temp*. Henricus and Elisabeth de Nunant (*Buckfast Cartulary*, Deed vii).

3. Descendants probably of this witness occur in the fragment of the Buckfast Cartulary. A Willelmus Wace held a close at Horsonappesturte in the manor of Holne, sometime in the period 1237-1251. Henricus Wace was a contemporary of Adeleis de Nunant and of Serlo de Holna (*Buckfast Deed*, xlvi) and therefore probably of this witness. Aluricus Wace (*Buckfast Deed*, xlviii) would be of the same generation and period as Willelmus Wace.

4. Serlo de Holna is the first of three generations recorded in the Buckfast Cartulary (*Deeds* xliii-xlix), and was evidently much esteemed by Rogerus de Nunant and his relations Adeleis de Nunant and her son Willielmus, son of Robertus filius Martini, from whom he received grants of land in Holna. One of these records dates between 1160 and 1169

(*Deed* xliv) and is witnessed by Robert, son of Robert Fitz Martin.

5. Thomas son of Serlo de Holna. Serlo's heir was Urglal, and the only Thomas mentioned in the Buckfast Cartulary, was son of Urglal, and grandson of Serlo. Neither this son Thomas nor the thirteenth witness Hosbertus de Holna are mentioned in the Buckfast Cartulary, in which so many references to this family occur; we may therefore conclude that this deed ante-dates those recorded in the Buckfast Cartulary, and was written before Serlo lost his elder son Thomas.

8 and 9. Iordan de Hode and Roger his son witnessed Buckfast Deed x, in which Rogerus de Nunant grants to the Abbey his share of the stream called Northbroc, and mentions his wife Alicia, his grandfather Rogerius, his father Wido, his mother Mabilia and his son Wido.

RIVALLONUS.

This is the first Prior of Totnes known of by Dr. Oliver. His name only occurs once in the large work on the Monasticon of the Diocese of Exeter, and, if rightly transcribed, is an unusually rare name. The circumstances under which the name occurs are sufficiently authentic to justify a position being assigned to this "Prior de Totton." The deed transcribed by Dr. Oliver was in possession of Lord Arundell of Wardour Castle, the purport of which is as follows (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 39 and 40).

Agreement between the monks (of Tywardreath Priory) and Philippus de Treverbin concerning the land of Onurion.

Robertus filius Willielmi to all his men of Cornwall and Devon greeting. Be it known that the contention between my brethren the monks of Tivardraid and Philippus de Treverbin concerning the land of Onurion the greater and less is settled in my presence and in the presence of my steward (dapifer) Ricardus in this manner. When I was at Bodmin (*apud Bothmene*) in the solar of Ailyardus filius Serici there came before me Osbertus then Prior of Tivardraid and the aforesaid Philippus with Adam his elder son and there and then granted by my hand the said lands of Onyrion to the aforementioned church and to the monks serving God there on condition of paying five solidi yearly for all causes, geld and demands; excepting that for the toll of the tin from a certain smelting furnace of the aforementioned land they shall pay to Philippus three denarii.

The bounds which divide the land of the monks from the land of Philippus commence from the stone bridge of Menedu as the bank runs

on the west side of the greater Onurion as far as the footpath which leads to the ford of Roscorfle and just as the bank runs from that ford to the island of the smaller Onurion and falls into the river called Wermen.

Moreover Philippus and his son Adam granted that the monks' men should have right of common and of wood with their own men in pasture, usage, turf and other necessaries. If tin be found within the boundaries of the monks they shall have the sole use whether it be on cultivated ground or on ground that has not been cultivated. But if tin is found on waste land the toll therefrom shall be divided equally between the monks and Philippus. This is confirmed by my seal and that of Philippus.

The witnesses were :

1 Ricardus the steward.
2 Iordanus filius Baldwini.
3 Odo filius Walteri.
4 Sir Robertus the clerk.
5 Rogerus de Scaccis.
6 Ailvardus filius Serici.

Drawn up by Alemannus and Leuricus men of the monks.

On the festival of Saint Andrew following, in the sight of all who came to the festival, Phillipus with his wife and two sons, Adam and Nicholaus, placed the present charter as a perpetual gift upon the altar of Saint Andrew (the priory church of Tywardraith).

There is even an agreement that the Prior of St. Andrew, or the men who live in that fief shall never be obliged to plead on account of any forfeiture in the court of the said Philippus or his heirs. Witnesses from the monks, Osbertus then Prior (of Tywardreath), Radulfus, Willielmus, Edwardus, *Rivallonus Prior of Totton*, Thomas, Willelmus. From the clergy, Sibaldus the priest, Osbertus and Odo, priests, Robertus, chaplain of the monks, Ricardus the steward, Robertus filius Ricardi, Jordanus de Lisnestoc, Baldwinus de Pideas. They signed, and many others who came to the festival of St. Andrew.

Not improbably, from the order in which the names stand, Thomas and Willielmus were monks accompanying the Prior of Totton.

GUILD ROLLS.

The exact date when the merchants of Totnes first enrolled themselves to protect their privileges, or whether we have the very earliest lists made are questions which perhaps can never now be decided. The charter of

King John, dated 6th May, 1199, of which we only have a quotation in the Inspeximus of the year 1415, 5th December *q.v.*, cannot be considered as the foundation of trade liberties, but rather of a form of local government. Great difficulty has been experienced in placing the first three rolls in chronological sequence. Several hand-writings occur on the same roll, additions and corrections being added perhaps many years after the original entries: the custom, as evidenced on the earliest membrane, appears to have been to erase with gall names that either were entered by mistake, died, or for some other reason discontinued the privilege of being enrolled in the Guild. The author has considered it necessary to rearrange the order of some of the rolls as numbered subsequent to the examination by Mr. Henry Thomas Riley on behalf of the Historical Manuscript Commission in 1872, and published in the Third Report, fo. 341, during the mayoralty of J. W. Chaster, Esquire. The rolls for some reason commence at No. 15, and this has hitherto been considered the oldest in the collection of the municipality. After complete transcription of the names, and a careful study of the various forms of writing, the author believes that both membranes No. 16 and No. 17 ante-date No. 15. Although No. 15 was mostly written in 1260, many of the names had joined the Guild many years before, and as many names on No. 16 more properly belong to the twelfth century, these three earliest rolls are considered as one series and inserted here. The numbers originally affixed to the rolls are recorded in margin, and the names are also numbered for reference: the numbers are no indication of the order in which they were originally entered, although where possible, where the hand-writing suggests a successor, the original member of the Guild, and the correction in a later hand are numbered alike and discriminated by additional letters "a" and "b."

The eventual indexing of names in the whole work may reveal some error in the sequence of the deeds, so many of which belong to the early part of the thirteenth century, and are all undated.

Tot. Guild Roll M16.

This roll consists of one membrane, twenty-nine inches by nine and three-quarter inches. It is written in a clumsy hand, which corresponds with the lettering of Totnes Priory Deed xxiii. Owing to the early form of writing, this deed was placed thus early in the collection, but five out of the eight witnesses occur among the witnesses to Totnes Priory Deed lxi, which illustrates the difficulty in arranging the documents of this period chronologically. Not one is dated, and from Deed xxiii to lxxiv,

i.e. fifty-two deeds, it is only possible to assign dates to two: Deed liii 1216 and Deed lxx 1224.

The entries appear to have been made in three columns, and in the case of this roll probably the first column was completed before the second was begun: many names are lined through, others totally erased, and many corrections and additions made. The names given do not represent therefore the total members of the guild, but the transcription has been made with a view to recovering all names possible. Crosses occasionally occurring are not recorded as they convey now no meaning. The two dates 1225 and 1251 identified on the reverse are no indication of the age of roll as they are in the nature of rough notes made on an empty space.

In the transcription the original names entered on the roll are differentiated from subsequent entries by the larger numbers.

HOC IST COMMUNIO MERCATORUM TOTTON'.

Tot. Guild Roll M16. First Column.

1 Hemericus; 2a (Marcus?) la wara; 2b Iohan de Wasseburne; 3 (Galfridus?) faber; 4 Ricardus Malecoc; 5 Nicholaus Fokwin; 6 Willelmus, Robertus filius Alix (and) Marcarius sureties; 7 Todbaldus de Hemmiston; 8 Willelmus (culinarius?); 9 Filippus de Sechewill; 10 Heredes Marcari Ruffi; 11 Ricardus le bon; Walterus de Dertinton (probably surety); 12 Herin; 12b Benedictus de Fonte enters in place of Ricardus Alewi; 13 Ricardus piscator; 14 Ricardus le Priur; 14b Benedictus de Fonte gives the guild of merchants to Ricardus Brunig who succeeded Ricardus Alanni; 15 Iohannes Prigga; 15b Humfridus son of Hannah; 16 Suein de Cumbe; 17 Iohannes Pollin; 18 Robertus filius Ilberti; 19 Ricardus le burgeis; 19b Iohan dolfin (either succeeded or was surety); 20 Martinus dolfin; 21 Ricardus (partly erased); 22 I (?) de Fereres; 23 Ran alb; 23b Ran Amyeth succeeded him, Nicholaus de Fouwy, by gift of Rand Amyeth who gave him in marriage with his daughter Lorancya; 24 Ricardus Chillebula; 25 Ricardus Wluard'; 26 Edwardus faber; 27 Willelmus grim; 28 Ailwardus piscator; 29 Iordanus le frie forrde (entered in later hand over an erasure); 30 Heredes Iohannes de Fonte; 31 Stephanus de Fonte; 32 Randulfus filius Tome Amiot (later hand); 33 Robertus son of Robertus de Bearkedune succeeded Rogerus (later hand); 34 Willelmus de Wercumba; 35 Galfridus Gilla; 36 Walterus de Wika; 37 Andreas Scot (inserted later entry); 38 Marcarus le bois; 39 Ogeman his brother, Gilla the merchant surety; 40 Robertus longus; 40b Willelmus de Wynnaleth (later hand); 41 Ilbertus longus; 42 Randulfus

Paris (paid) fordede (inserted in later hand); 43 Adam le metema; 44 Galterus Bolta; 44b Nicola le martin; 45 Gilebertus de Gatecumbe, Gilla the merchant surety; 46 Ran Gundulfus (? crossed through); 47 Alexander filius Mark Perot; 48 Gessa filius Sarre; 49 Seyian piscator; 50 Adam le corinser; 51 Samson Battere; 52 Nicholas Battere; 53 Ricardus de ——ton; 54 Ricardus Coffin; 55 Iohannes Chillebula; 55b Willelmus le Drake (later hand); 56 Iohannes de Cadeford; 57 Sevara le corniser: 57b Walterus filius Severay le corneser succeeded his father; 58 Robertus Paum (er?); 59 Willelmus Boschet succeeded his father (probably written over erasure); 60 Willelmus de la Waye; 61 Richeman dolfin; 62 Walterus Hodi fordede (later hand); 63 Willelmus Gumer; 64 Thomas Gumer; 65 Hobel de Asperton; 66 Benedictus aurifaber; 67 Osbertus Blakeman; 68 Ricardus de Ponte; 69 Ran Claudus; 70 Nicholas (written over) Willelmus de Scalton'; 71 Ricardus de Strete; 71b Willelmus Lorimer; 72 Ran alanus; 72b Thomas de Strete; 73 Adam filius Angeri; 74 Thomas de Scerham; 75 Bartholemeus generare, sureties Ricardus cordewinarius and Ricardus Alwi; 76 Ailmar Strenca; 77 Thomas son of Hamelinus tailur; 78 Robertus de Clauton (later hand); 79 David Kitil; 80 Walterus le bon; 80b Ricardus de Clauton; 81 Rogerus de Hylisham (almost erased); 81b Henricus pica; 82 Willelmus le Bon; 82b Randulfus Brews; 83 Willelmus filius Walteri le bon (inserted entry); 84 Ricardus filius Alardi; 85 Ricardus calcum; 86 Stephanus filius Simon; 87 Radulfus Le Ware; 87b Ricardus Ilbert and Radulfus Brews sureties; 87c Johannes de Hortecumbe, Willelmus de Fonte and G son of Sar' sureties; 88 Bausanus; 89 Willelmus Pusekare; 90 Ricardus de Stancumbe, Pusecere surety; 90 Oggis faber; 91 Willelmus Claudus faber, sureties Hugo filius Simonis (and) Hemericus the smith; 92 Henricus de Porta; 93 Willelmus filius Seivardi. *End of first column of original entries.* 94 Adam filius Branga (later entry); 95 Ricardus de ——ford; 96 Rogerus de Bulbek; 97 Walterus filius Willelmi de Bode.

Commencement of second column:

Tot. Guild Roll M16. Second Column.

98 Ricardus clericus; 99 domina Sarra; 100 Osmundus Daggul, sureties R. de Fenton, Ricardus Muwe and Ricardus de Strete; 101 Iohannes infans, sureties R. Bellac, Robertus Bec and Sevar Tenar; 102 Ricardus infans, Item Ricardus infans has the guild of his uncle; 103 Willelmus son of Iocea and ought to have (to pay, fordede) 4*d.*; 104 Edwardus Dunhin ought to have (to pay, fordede) 4*d.*; 105 The heirs of Kera; 106 Ricardus Alewii; 106b Galfridus Ruffus; 107 Willelmus

de ponte; 107b Ricardus capellanus ford'; 108 Marcarus Bugeis; 108b Galfridus de Cotamore; 109 Walterus Alewi; 109b Willelmus filius Herberti; 110 Marcarus juvenis; 110b Galfridus filius Hugonis gives his guild (*i.e.* gave him his place in the guild) to Henricus de Brodeli; 111 Ricardus Perot 4 ford; 111b Radulfus Niger; 112 Hemelinus de Hurberton; 113 Osbertus le hora; 113b Martinus Ruffus; 114 Hamelinus Alewi; 114b Robertus de Fonte; 115 Ricardus le bel, Willelmus filius Siwardi surety; 116 Ricardus de la Triwe, the wife of Kera surety; 117 Ricardus Yullekiston'; 117b Seman de Bovedune; 118 Alexander clericus; 118b Rodbertus Cloer; 119 Sevara Alewi; 119b Ricardus de Beadon; 120 Walterus neros; 120b Willelmus de Didesham; 121 Thomas Waleis; 121b Ricardus de Lingeure; 122 Walterus Crohar; 122b Ric--ardus de Corneworthy; 123 Edwardus de Rochella; 123b Reginaldus Carpentarius; 124 Willelmus Seleda; 124b Ricardus de S; 125 Robertus Seleda; 125b Ricardus de Avaton; 126 Willelmus Furk(or b)ur; 126b A. de Wercumbe; 127 Ricardus Stile; 127b Iohannes Hemmer; 127c Osbertus de Strete; 128 Robertus filius Botil; 128b Iohannes Infans; 129 Robertus de Rochella; 130 Gregorius de Engeleburn (later hand); 130b Walterus de Wadaw(a or com)be; 131 Edwardus de la Rochella (later hand); 131b Rogerus Burel; 132 Nicholaus Stile; 132b Hamelinus Tirard; 133 Reginaldus de Barewill; 133b Martinus de More; 134 Willelmus Alb(us), there; 134b Ricardus son of Adam; 135 Ricardus there (*ibidem*, this probably refers in each case to "de Barewill"); 135b Thomas (?)filius (?)eline; 136 Gessa, there; 136b Rogerus de Tenwyke in place of Willelmus, Walterus de Wike, Willelmus de Fonte sureties, the same R. Ford; 137 filius Harpun; 138 Willelmus Ba(dogher?); 139 Ricardus his brother; 139b Iohannes de Hortecumbe, W. de Fonte and T. de Compton sureties, the same undertakes (to pay) 4s; 140 Ricardus de la herse; 141 Galfridus rusticus; 141b John Tulle; 142 Hamelinus golenar; 142b Nicholaus filius Petri, 4 ford; 143 Rogerus le Waleys (?) Hunfrid, Walterus the clerk sureties; 144 Ricardus filius Edwin'; 145 Robertus faber; 146 Reinfredus; 147 Robertus Bastard; 148 Willelmus Crocke (later hand); 148b Radulfus Page; 149 Hemericus Flagge; 149b Wimundus lerac fordede, sureties Ricardus Hunf and Robertus Botil; 150 OsbertusFaghisland; 151 Hugo filius Simonis the smith; 152 Willelmus Fular; 152b Henricus d'Avetone, Ricardus Ruffus, Robertus and Willelmus le Bon sureties; 153 Ricardus filius Ilberti; 154 Ricardus Dagulf; 154b Robertus de Dertemue, Tomas filius sacerdotis; 155 Iw(o)n filius Hamelini, sureties Ricardus filius Willelmi Hamelini and Ricardus de Petia;

156 Willelmus de Motbiri (?) Hemeri surety; 157 Russel scocius suus; 158 Randamel (possibly Randalfus daivel or daniel, see *No.* 242); 159 Walterus le Pais, 4 ford, Nicholaus Focawin receptor de Halefuhe (later hand); 160 Ang(erus) molendin(arius); 160b Hemerus faber, 30*d*; 161 Rogerus ruffus, in place of (sede) Iohannes de Hocheslond, sureties for ford' (names obliterated), A(dam) Albus receptor; 162 Iohannes de Fenton; 163 Thomas Killebiri, Herin surety; 164 Severa igeuige; 164b Rogerus filius Walteri le Flamant, G de Sclap and Gelanus Ruffus sureties; 165 Ricardus paya; 166 Willelmus Huitin son of Ricardus Huitun (later hand); 166b Iordan Chep, Thomas faber; 167 Martinus t(ur)neram, Hic deficit ad soli . . Robertus Paum(er) surety; 168 Walterus turvepeis; 169 Jesse Alewi; 169b Johannes de Lee; 170 Willelmus Totefen; 170b Nicole de la Haa; 171 Willelmus filius Walteri; 171b Johan Palling; 172 Henricus de eilin . . .; 173 Grigorius filius Amiot; 174 Edwardus faber; 175 Henricus de Dertemue, Hemericus faber et gilda sua mercatorum pleg; 176 Andreas de Castello frater Randulfi de Castello; 177 Willelmus Waetun; 178 Ricardus monacus; 178b Gilebertus ursus; 179 Ricardus Chatel; 179b Matt de Memstone; 180 Willelmus Herizun; 180b Willelmus Hibern, sureties Rob Dertemue and Willelmus Paris; 181 Rodbertus de Ruddokestone; 182 Rogerus Nowushama; 182b Ricardus filius Eduuardi and Simon; 183 Vivianus filius Marci; 183b (S?)avai first son of Osbertus the merchant; 184 Willelmus cordeuanerius; 185 Andreas seler; 185b Robertus de Boscho; 186 (?)Martini Adelard; 186b Walterus Modi.

Some very small writing crossed out is quite undecipherable at the bottom of the second column.

Tot. Guild Roll M16. Third Column.

Commencement of third column.

187 Iohannes Prior filius Stephani (H)ag; 188 Andreas de Bosco, ford et quietus, Henricus de Luxcumbe, Iohannes Bodin sureties; 190 Philippus de Scobbehille quietus et ford, Robertus niger faber and Ricardus Stile, sureties; 191 Willelmus de Lehe quietus et ford, Hugo Simm and Robertus Botell, sureties; 192 Iohannes Le Vayre quietus et ford, Ricardus Aluwy and Ricardus de Fonte, sureties; 193 Ricardus filius Hunfredi ford.

Then follow entries under the heading "*Debita antiqua*," apparently as paid they were semi-obliterated by gall or some preparation which acted as ink-eraser. The following entries are alone recoverable:

194 Odmarus, 16*d.*; 195 Wimanus, 12*d.*; 196 Cadwardus clericus, 14*d*; 196b Ricardus de Avaton', 3*s.* (underlined); 196c Ricardus

de Avaton', 12*d.* (underlined); **197** Adam filius Angeri, ford 2*d.*; **198** Willelmus filius Esabel, ford; **199** Iohannes Pallin, ford; **200** Osmundus Daggul, ford; 200b Water filius filie (bueri ?); **201** Ogis (crossed out), ford; **202** Martinus dolfin; **203** Benedictus aurifaber, ford; **204** Ricardus meteiva, ford 2*d.* (underlined); 204b Walterus metifa, ford; **205** Ilbertus longus, ford (crossed out); **206** Ricardus de la herte, fordel 2*d.*; (?) and Rogerus de Hilisam, sureties; **207** Robertus paumer, 16*d.*; **208** Sevara Alewi, ford; 208b Galfridus de Slaptun, Willelmus Grim; 208c Willelmus de Didisham, 12*d.*, W. Bonus et R. de Stert; **209** Walterus mercator, ford; **210** Galfridus cardun, ford 2*d.*; **211** Henricus filius Alfredi; **211** Walterus lu(pus?) 3*s.* (underlined); **212** Gilebtus trenchemer, ford; 212b Rog Cirpantur, ford; **213** Reginaldus mercator, ford deb; **214** Reginaldus clericus, 5*s.*, Ricardus Chatel, ford 2*d.*; **215** Robertus frater ejus, 5*s.*; **216** Ricardus de ponte, 2*s.*; 217 Willelmus Russel by gift of Iohannis Wade succeeded him; **218** Robertus cloera 2*d.*, deford; **219** Robertus mabun 2*d.* de ford; 219b Galfridus de Corundon succeeded Hugo his father; **220** Robertus de Rochella; 220b Reginaldus mercator, ford 2*d.*; **221** Ricardus filius Walteri 2*d.* de ford; 221b Gelanus tabuarius; **222** Ricardus de Stancumbe ford; 222b Walterus nepos 6*d.*; **223** Willelmus filius furbur, 2*d.* de ford; **224** Willelmus de Motberi 5*s.*; **225** Robertus Russel 5*s.*; **226** Iwn; **227** Alexander clericus, ford; 227b Markere buriens ford; **228** Thomas le fulur; 228b Iohannes dolfin, ford; **229** Seg . . porta; **230** Iohannes Chellebule: 230b Henricus prova (probably same as "probus") ford; 230c Radulfus Braws, ford; 230d Seware hufeklife, sureties **231** Ricardus cordiwinarius, Waleranius extra porta, sureties Iohannes de Hochisland (it is difficult in places to determine who is the candidate and who the sureties); **232** Iordan Cher, Willelmus Flagga surety, ford 4*d.*; **233** Ricardus de Beadon, ford 2*d.*, Hemericus faber and Robertus Botil sureties; **234** Iohannes filius Hamelini, ford ?*d.*; **235** Willelmus totefen; 235b Ricardus de Clauton, ford; **236** Willelmus filius Walteri; **237** Henricus de eilintona, 12*d.*; **238** Grigorius filius Amiat; **239** Edwardus faber, ford, Ricardus de Strete and Ricardus de Carswel, sureties; **240** Henricus de Dertemu, ford 2*d.*; **241** Radulfus de Castella, ? Wilekin, surety; **242** Willelmus Wdetun, ford, Paul Daniel, surety; **243** Galfridus filius Hugonis, ford, Markerus Buriensis and Ricardus his brother, sureties; **244** Iohannes de Wasseburne, ford; 244b Thomas faber; **245** Nicholaus Mathu, Walterus Bolte and R. Gudelbese, sureties; **246** Willelmus cordewanerius, ford, Alardus, surety; **247** Hugo filius Rodberti (Ralling ?), Adam Albus and Ricardus Wleurd, sureties; **248** Will-

elmus Heritun, ford (see *No.* 180); 249 Rodbertus de Rudockestone (see *No.* 181), ford, Walterus Alewi, Markerus Burg; (for some reason several of these names are entered more or less parallel in both second and third columns. They had probably not paid their fordede, hence the heading "Debita antiqua," the entries are very irregular, full of crossing out, correction and total erasion); 250 Hugo filius Simonis fabri, ford; 251 Vivianus filius Marci, fordede (see *No.* 183); 252 Lucas Rugge, 253 Ricardus de Bailford, ford; 254 Rogerus de Wike, ford, Ilbertus Long, surety; 253 Thomas Wambe, ford; 254 Ricardus Longus. Other entries erased and undecipherable. End of third column.

Tot. Guild Roll M16. Reverse.

Reverse of membrane numbered 16.

"Compot' continent' Gild mercatorum tempore E primi. E II et E III."

This erroneous and misleading endorsement is in a later hand, written across the top of membrane four inches above the entries on reverse, which are in a small cramped writing, different from the entries on the inside of the roll. Not the whole of the reverse side is used and the particulars are more in the nature of notes.

First Column.

254 Ricardus filius (probably Martini) Perit, ford 2*d.*; 255 Ricardus de Fonte, ford; 256 Robertus Pelip (?) ford; 257 Hamelin (Ger)ard; 257b Stephanus, ford, H. golenar, Rogerus Burel sureties; 258 (?) faber, R. de Aveton, R. Culeboke and Nicolaus Fouxwine sureties; 259 Tomas filius R. sacerdotis, ford; 260 Petrus filius H. Robet, ford, Iohannes Killebol and Henricus de Porta sureties; 261 Hugo filius Ricardi, ford; 262 Wido de Wasseborne, ford; 263 (?) de Binele, ford 2*d.*; 264 Waterus filius Hamelini, ford 2*d.*; 265 Stephanus de Hegilborne, ford 2*d.*; 266 Willelmus filius Ade de Brodehe, ford 2*d.* Hugo filius Ricardi and Br(o)uel sureties; 267 Bortolomeius filius Osberti, ford 2*d.* Markerus Seward and Walterus filius Sara sureties; 268 Thomas Pennint (?); 269 Willelmus Bass, ford 2*d.*; 270 Willelmus Rogi, ford 2*d.*; 271 Ricardus de la trewe, ford 2*d.*; 272 Rogerus (possibly clericus), ford 2*d.*; 273 Herebertus (?) Lovon, ford; 274 Rogerus de ilesham; 275 Rogerus Serviens; 276 Thomas Monacus, ford 2*d.*; 277 Willelmus metihma, ford; 278 Rogerus fotour, ford, feudum et omne . . . sureties; 279 Ricardus (possibly Gilibert); 280 Ricardus le Spicer, ford; 281 Ricardus (no second name); 282 Robertus filius (apparently Seg'), ford; 283 Johannes de Fentcumbe, ford; 284 Filippus de Sechewille, ford, Hosbertus de Meresh-mede (?); 285 Walterus de Wadawabe, (? the last syllable possibly cumbe); 286 Walterus filius Herbaldi, ford; 287 Walterus filius Gillote de Porta, ford

"Summa debiti quod ad presens . . et debet redderi. C l. V*s*. VI*d*."

288 Ricardus le capell', ford 2*d*.; 289 Galfridus de Cotemor, ford 2*d*.; 290 Willelmus filius Herberti, 4*d*.; 291 Radulfus niger, ford; 292 Robertus de Fonte, ford; 293 Ricardus filius Ade, ford; 294 He . . Pia, ford; 295 Iohannes Wace, ford; 296 Iohannes le Floyt, ford, Ricardus Hunfridus surety; 297 Ricardus dolfin filius dolfini, ford; 298 Walterus Scota, ford, Galfridus Stoc and Galfridus fulimer sureties; 299 Martinus Stocta, Ricardus Humfredus, Yalt Stoc. sureties; 300 Galfredus de Wodelond, Ricardus Ruffus, Robertus de Dertemu sureties; 301 Filippus de Pole, ford, Iohannes de Hortecumbe, ford, Ricardus de Avetun sureties; 302 Benedictus Chalovha, 4*d*. ford, Willelmus filius Sorhu and Robertus Bac sureties.

Tot. Guild Roll M16. Reverse. Second Column.

Commencement of second column:

303 Hamelin de Hakewille, Rde (Strete ?) and Willelmus de (?) sureties; 304 Henricus de (Salapton ?); 305 Ricardus filius Odelini, G filius Sarre and . . Cuilibole sureties; 306 Willelmus le cumer 2*s*.; 307 Willelmus Paris, ford 2*d*. R de Falawil and (?) sureties; 308 Tomas Barret dedit et concessit pro homagio et servicio suo Galfrido Dolin Gilda mercatorum qui fuit Galfridi la . .; 309 Martinus de Mor'; 310 Willelmus de Tottefenne (?) Walterus filius Gwidonis de Tottefenne intravit super sedem predicti Willelmi de Tottefenne per confidacionem Cure die Lune proxima post Invencionem Sancte Crucis anno r. r, H XXXV et debet per se et dicto Willelmo de duplex, ford 8*d*. (The only entry in this handwriting, probably much later than other entries); 311 Ricardus Paris, ford; 312 Ricardus filius Ade dedit Ade de Sewenesdon in vita sua Gillh-mercatorum; 313 Willelmus Bucfestre, ford, Walterus Modi, Walterus Cuchel' sureties; 314 Ricardus filius Ade dedit et concessit pro homagio et servico suo Thome Goppilt Gillam mercatorum qui fuit Hunfrido filio Hamme et ⸗ [*sic*] ad 4*d*. de fordede; 315 Willelmus Cobbaton intravit Gilda mercatorum 4*d*. fordede, sureties R. Russel and P. Unfrei; 316 Ricardus Aveton intravit Gilda mercatorum 4*d*. de fordede, sureties R. Russel and P. Unfrei; 317 Galfridus de la Bo . . . intravit in Gilla mercatorum de fordeda, surety Willelmus Par'; 318 Laurencius Le(n ?)oreis de Hewis, ford 4 *denarios*: 319 Ricardus Hidanie filius in Gilda mercatorum fordeda 4*d*., Ricardus filius Ade and Ricardus Unfrei sureties; 320 Iohannes clericus filius Galfridi Hurnyng sacerdotis de Rattriu, 4*d*. ford, W. Paris et W. Niger faber sureties; 321 Hugo pistre in sede Thome Ywonis, ford 4*d*.

Monday after 3rd May, 1251.

"Hy sunt debitores de Novo."

322 Henricus Pica, 2*sol.*; 323 Radulfus Braws, 2*s.*; 324 Petrus de la Wurth, ford 4*d.*, Ricardus de Clauton, Wydo de Totefen fide jussores omnia jura. 325 Debit de u(no) t(enimento) monasterii Buffestre XXX Godefr . . overa IX Hamelin (?) VIII et Ricardus de B(erkedone possibly) III. 326 Hec est convencio inter Abbatem et Conventum Buffestrie et Burgensos Tottonie Anno vicesimo regni regis Henrici-scilicet quod dicti Burgenses receperunt dictum Abbatem et Monachos in Gildam mercatorum videlicet quod poterunt omnes empciones suas facere sicut ceteri Burgenses (exceptis tenementis sive . . dominorum Tottonie, crossed out) et exceptis vendicionibus omnibus nomine Tabernie. Reddendo annuatim ad Gildam mercatorum 22*d.* die Sabbati proxima ante Nathale Domini pro omni Tallagio quod pertinet ad Communem ville.

20 Henry III, 1225.

Tot. Guild Roll M17.

A membrane twenty-two inches by eight and a half inches, with an addition stitched below seven inches by eight and a half inches.

The original names have been entered in a double column starting four inches from the top; these have been in some cases crossed out, in others the successors have been added in a smaller and later hand; notes have been added on the top, sides, and almost every available space on the parchment. Judging from the appearance of the ink the original entries were made across the parchment writing both columns at the same time; this order has been followed in the transcription, the original names as in the previous roll are numbered in larger type. Probably this roll formed the list from which Bartholomeus the chaplain made his clean abstract in 1260 (M15). The crosses occasionally inserted before or after names are not noticed.

1 The Abbat of Bufestre is in the Gylda of Merchants for 22*d.* annually paid to the seneschal of the Gylda of Merchants of Toton' for all tallages; 2 Walterus Basse; 3 Warinus de Cumbe, sureties Martinus de la Stone and Galfridus de la Wudeleae; 4 Willelmus Egtod (?), Johannes Huring, Petrus Lunepacosire (?) (last two probably sureties); 5 Ricardus le Meteyeve; 6 Andreas le Scot; 7 Walterus le Saer succeeded Severa Higgemor, sureties Martinus Scota, David mercator and Ricardus cissor; 8 Thomas de stret; 9 Ricardus le macun (crossed out); 10 Walterus filius Warini succeeded Walterus Alewy, sureties Willelmus Hemeri and Gregorius the smith; 11 Ricardus de Clauton; 12 Willelmus de Bonavilla entered by gift of Ricardus de Clauton; 13 Robertus de Aisperton succeeded Ricardus Calcum (?), sureties Willelmus Sorein and Benedictus de Fonte; 14 Bartholomeus de ponte; 15 Radulfus Page; 16 Galfridus

filius Sàrre (crossed out); 17 Radulfus filius G. Sare (added); 18 Galfridus Gylle (crossed out); 19 Amisius filius Roberti le tayllur (crossed out); 20 Radulfus Amyoht; 21 Alexander de Brodech succeeded Galfridus Rugga; 22 Ricardus Peroht; 23 Galfridus Dolyn [*sic*] succeeded Martinus Dolfyn, ford 16*d.*, sureties W le Bon, Galfridus de Stock, Iordanus de Stock and Iohannes Hurnyg; 24 Robertus le Combere; 25 Ricardus filius Adam; 26 Willelmus de fonte; 27 Willelmus Drake; 28 Seman son of Ricardus de Plimton; 29 Willelmus Basse (crossed out); 30 Iohannes Chatel admitted if Willelmus his brother wishes to concede, sureties Ricardus filius Adam and Martinus Adtelard; 31 Iohannes Cuillebole (crossed out); 32 Thomas de Sparkewille in place of Petrus Chuillebole and of Iohannes, sureties Walterus Ossan and Henricus Lovet; 33 Rogerus Caluwe (crossed out); 34 Ricardus son of (inserted before *No.* 33); 35 Willelmus bosschet; 36 Rike daughter of Iohannes de Cadeford succeeded her father (crossed out); 37 Iordanus le frye; 38 Walterus filius Ossanne; 39 Ricardus de la Ya (crossed out); 40 Severus Allewy (crossed out); 41 Willelmus Alevy (crossed out); 42 Benedictus de fonte in place of W. Alewi (all crossed out); 43 Rogerus de Bovi; 44 Wilelmus Hengelonde succeeded Rike de Kadeford; 45 Radulfus Brensa (crossed out); 46 Alicia sister of the same Radulfus (written over and crossed out); 47 Petrus the goldsmith succeeded Willelmus Grumer (fordede 8*d.*); 48 Hugo pistor; 49 Gillebertus de Exonia succeeded Ricardus Millcum; 49 Robertus albus (crossed out); 50 Walterus albus in place of R.; 51 Gwydo de Wasseburne; 52 Willelmus filius Sorene; 53 Robertus de Dureclive received the gild from the seneschals, sureties Martinus de la Stone, Galfridus Hok, Philipus the merchant and David the merchant. This ends the first series of names in a light brown ink, the subsequent names appearing darker as if written by the same hand on a subsequent day, with different pen and ink.

54 Gwarinus Burel (crossed out); 55 Walterus Hureward by gift of Warinus Burel in marriage with his daughter; 56 Walterus Mody; 57 Andreas Carpentarius (crossed out), Rogerus le Helyar succeeded Andreas; 58 David N(or V)otee (crossed out); 59 Galfridus filius Walteri de Grangus nephew (*nepos*) of Walterus vicar of Totton' succeeded Willelmus Rugg, sureties Iohannes Hurning and Walterus Scota; 60 Robertus Bac; 61 Nicholaus de la ya (crossed out); 62 Willelmus Crocke; 63 Ricardus Fyne; 64 Willelmus Aunger succeeded his father; 65 Edwardus the smith; 66 Ricardus de Porta; 67 Ricardus son of Walterus Wadestrew succeeded his father; 68 Thomas Gomer (crossed out); 69 Willelmus Page; 70 Seman de la Stana; 71 Iohannes Pykerun;

72 Ricardus Draka succeeded Willelmus de Didesham, sureties Willelmus Page and Ricardus Baci; 73 Nicholaus filius Ryke; 74 Nicholaus Heming by gift of Nicholaus son of Rika; 75 Clemens de Scharpehamme; 76 Galfridus de la Stocke; 77 Iohannes hybernienem (the Irishman); 78 Galfridus Cottemor; 79 Thomas Barat succeeded his father, sureties Dav' de Stocke and Robertus Barat; 80 Walterus de Tottefen; 81 Iohannes Wade succeeded Rogerus de Wyke, sureties Robertus de Dertemuthe and Willelmus Parys, the same Iohannes succeeded Letitia (*sub sede* Letitie) his wife (this entry crossed out); 82 Galfridus Frangne; 83 Andreas le seeler; 84 Hugo Gosse by gift of Walterus Bon (entered in a later hand); 85 Walterus le Bon; 86 Ricardus Parys succeeded Willelmus "le chapeleyn," sureties Robertus de Dertemuth and Willelmus Parys; 87 Galfridus le Floyt; 88 Ada(m) Stranga; 89 Markerus de Tottefen' by gift of Clemens de Scharpeham son of Thomas de Scharpeham; 90 Robertus de Dertem'; 91 Ricardus Goda succeeded Ricardus the fisherman; 92 Ricardus filius Humfredi (crossed out); 93 Willelmus de Garstone succeeded Ricardus Hunfredi, sureties Bartholomeus the chaplain and Thomas de Strete; 94 Robertus de Clauton; 95 Iohannes de Yortecumba; 96 Rogerus Elyot; 97 Ricardus de Plinton succeeded Wido de Totene; 98 Hemericus the smith (crossed out), memorandum that the heir of Hemericus the smith gave the gild of merchants to Ricardus de Clauton, and he gave the aforesaid to 99 Willelmus Penont son of Iohannes Penont, W. Penant guaranteed fordede per Ricardus Hemeri and R. de Clauton, 12*d.*, sureties Ricardus de Buffestre and W. le Bon; 100 Martinus filius Adelardi (crossed out); 101 Iordanus de Hoda; 102 Stephanus Hag son of Stephanus Hag; 103 Andreas de Castello; 104 Ricardus Parys (crossed out); 105 Willelmus son of Willelmus Paris de Fonte by gift of Ricardus Paris his brother; 106 Ricardus Hamelin; 107 Robertus Dobyn de Porta succeeded Leys; 108 Ricardus Russel (crossed out); 109 Ricardus Russel junior; 110 Greggorius the smith; 111 Stephanus Crochard (crossed out); 112 Gyllia daughter of Stephanus Crochard succeeded her father; 113 Walterus the smith (crossed out); 114 Robertus de Hurberneford entered the gild of merchants by the general consent (*com'consilio*) of the ville of Toton, sureties Willelmus Paris and Iohannes Prior; 115 Iordanus de la Stock (underlined); 116 Willelmus de Gaulbrigg by gift of Iohannes Mark chaplain of the gild of merchants which he has in the judgment of the Court by law of heritage on the side of "Le Batterers" his ancestors; 117 Willelmus Hausto(ll) (the last two

letters are uncertain) and (another name has been erased) guarantee all rents due by law to the ville and gild and acquit the ville and bailiff of the gild if anyone should sell to the said Willelmus; 118 Tomas Barat; 119 Henricus Scot succeeded Willelmus Paris de Fonte; 120 Iohannes Hylbert; 121 Willelmus Crochard (crossed out); 122 Ricardus chapeleyn; 123 Iohannes Hurnig; 124 Willelmus Gamelin by gift of Semarinus Plimcton, sureties Ricardus de Porta and Iohannes Lorimers; 125 Iohannes le Lorimer; 126 Benedictus de Fonte; 127 Letitia daughter of Hugo Symun; 128 Ricardus lenfant; 129 Serlo de Fagellond (crossed out); 130 Sarra daughter of Stocum succeeded her father, sureties Ricardus de Porta and Ricardus the chaplain; 131 Walterus Eadward; 132 Walterus Tylie (crossed out); 133 Matill' daughter of Willelmus Hamalin received the gild by gift of Alicia Foukewin; 134 Thomas Kyneger (in a later hand added "junior"); 135 Iohannes Lullay, sureties Martinus Modin and Nicholaus de Mittaleth; 136 Godefridus Lovere; 137 Iohannes Vyrun succeeded Rogerus le Toit [*sic*]; 138 Letitia daughter of Willelmus de Ponte; 139 Iohannes Vyrun, (sureties) Ricardus Hamelyn and Benedictus de Fonte; 140 Galfridus de la Wodelande; 141 Walterus le Burgeys; 142 Willelmus Niger the smith; 143 Nicholaus de Dunl'mo (crossed out); 144 Laurencius Burgensis succeeded his father, sureties Ricardus Burgeis and Walterus Lorimerius; 145 Hamelin Style; 146 Rogerus filius Saman succeeded his father, sureties Ricardus filius Ade and Iohannes Scot (crossed out); 147 Robertus Bastard; 148 Willelmus Parys; 149 Walterus Niger the smith; 150 Galfridus Seled'; 151 Walterus Cuchele; 152 Markerus Burgensis son of Robertus by gift of Iohannes Scot, sureties Ricardus Burgeis and Walterus Lorimerus; 153 Willelmus son of Iohannes Hemeri; 154 Galfridus Hercy; 155 Florencia Stile succeeded Fabian Stile; 156 Fabian son of Robertus Mabun succeeded his father; 157 Willelmus London, servant, by gift of Walterus Pavia, sureties Willelmus the clerk and Ricardus de Porta; 158 Galfridus filius Roberti (crossed out); 159 Philippus de Pole; 160 Eadwardus de la Peyce. End of first membrane.

161 Walterus de Fonte (crossed out); 162 Willelmus Dieg'; 163 Helias filius Maut; 164 Ricardus Stile, fordede; 165 Willelmus capellanus, fordede; 166 Ysota daughter of Mich' de Badestan'; 167 Ricardus, son of Nicholaus Style; 168 Rogerus de Badestane; 169 Letitia, daughter of Ricardus Avelard; 170 Galfridus Alewy; 171 Stephanus de Brodech; 172 Ricardus le Mestre; 173 Sthepanus le Voil, fordede 8*d.*, sureties

Ricardus filius Ade and Radulfus Page; 174 Willelmus, son of Walterus de Brodech; 175 Willelmus Handstac; 176 Galfridus de Brodech; 177 Willelmus de Brodech, succeeded Walterus Brodech his father, and gave his gild to Henricus de Brodeh; 178 Walterus Pavy (crossed out); 179 Nicholaus de la Barra; 180 Randulfus Parys (crossed out); 181 Petrus Coffin by gift of the said Randulfus; 182 Galfridus Brevel; 183 Robertus Seger (crossed out); 184 Galfridus Seger succeeded Robertus Seger; 185 Walterus de Brodech; 186 Martinus de Grangus succeeded Robertus de Bosco, sureties Walterus de Grangus and Willelmus Brodech; 187 Ricardus filius Clementis; 188 Galfridus Hoc by gift of the seneschals, sureties Martinus Scota and Willelmus Paris; 189 Hamelyn Keyl (crossed out); 190 Sunnota de Luscumba; 191 Willelmus de Foleton. Here the second series of original names in the columns ends.

192 Willelmus filius Gomer; 193 Martinus Hemeri succeeded Willelmus Tuzelin; 194 Walterus son of Galfridus Brodech; 195 Wallterus de Wuwelburth (? is this meant for Wolborough) by gift of Rogerus le Prat; 196 Willelmus Hemming by gift of his uncle R. Infant, sureties Ricardus Infans and R. de Porta; 197 Benedictus de Fonte; 198 Galfridus Putfoc, fordede 8*d.*, Ricardus Hamalini, Walterus Modi, sureties; 199 Petrus de Fonte succeeded Iohannes Wannyn; 200 Iohannes de Blakedone succeeded Ricardus de Clauton; 201 Alicia, daughter of Osbertus le Martin Dolfin succeeded her father; 202 Martinus de Stanc' by gift of Ricardus filius Ade in free marriage with his daughter admitted to the guild which belonged to the father of Richard, fordede paid 8*d.*; 203 Thoma de Pouderham succeeded Osbertus le Hore by gift of the aforesaid Alicia (daughter of Osbertus, see above); 204 Walterus, son of Ricardus de Suding (scote?) entered the gild by gift of Alicia Daggulf who was the wife of Ricardus de Fonte, that is to say that gild which Osmundus Daggulf her brother gave her; 205 Agatha Bona, wife of Walterus Bon by gift of Alicia, daughter of Martinus Doufin succeeded the said M. her father. The said Agatha paid 4*d.* fordede and Alicia for two gilds 8*d.* the other gild Th. de Poudeham has; 206 Willelmus de Fonte paid fordede; 207 (in margin) memorandum that Iohannes le Bon took no oath to fulfil the law and liberty of the ville, he was under age and Hugo Prigga has the care of him.

Entries added at top of membrane:

208 Thoma Draper succeeded Thoma, son of the priest, sureties Willelmus Hucing and Ricardus Hamelin; 209 Henricus Luvet succeeded Hugo Scot, sureties Walterus Osan and Magister Robertus de Sparkewil;

210 Robertus de Huggeburth succeeded Nicholaus Sorel by gift of Philippus the merchant, sureties Galfridus Dolyn, Willelmus Pyck, Iohannes Hurnyg and Philippus the merchant; 211 Martinus de Bosco succeeded Rogerus Ogeman, sureties Ricardus filius Ade and Marcherus the clerk; 212 Willelmus son of Ricardus de Cornaworth' succeeded his father, securities for him Bartholomeus the chaplain and Ricardus filius Ade; 213 Philippus the merchant succeeded Nicholaus B(u)rel, surety his tenement; 214 Iohannes son of Galfridus le Floyt succeeded Galfridus de Burne, sureties for fordede, Walterus Scota and Willelmus Hengelonde; 215 Ricardus Yvvayn succeeded Willelmus Herring, who was . . notta, sureties Martinus de la Stone and Iohannes Prior; 216 Walterus filius Galfridus the peasant (*rustici*) succeeded Martinus Chochela, sureties the said Galfridus and Martinus Pitard (?) (this entry crossed out); 217 Walterus Lorimerius succeeded Iohannes de Hochesland, sureties R. Malin and Willelmus Par'; 218 Ioelus Growa succeeded Iohannes Pallyng by gift of Alicia his wife, sureties herself and Ricardus Hamelyn; 219 W. Cochela succeeded Walterus son of Galfridus the peasant, his brother; 220 Willelmus Hucyng succeeded David Notta; 221 Hugo Notta by gift of David Notta; 222 Alanus Hennyig succeeded Ricardus Horing, sureties Robertus Dertemuth and Ricardus de Porta.

Tot. Guild Roll M17. Reverse.

Reverse side of membrane more uniformly written, and may be attributed, with few exceptions, to the same hand throughout. This side should chronologically follow Membrane *No.* 15, written in 1260.

In the 56th year of King Henry son of King John, lord Simon, Abbat of Buffr' and the Convent of that place by their own good will, and not as a debt, have given to the burghers (burgensibus) of Totton two marcs of silver in aid towards those twenty marcs acknowledged which the said lord King received from the said burghers measured by lord Walterus de Burges (Abbat Simon was only installed on 24th June 1272 and the 56th year of Henry III terminated on 28th October 1272 the date of his coronation at Gloucester: he died 16th of November 1272).

Between 24th June and 28th October, 1272.

In the third year of King Edward (I) Willelmus de Cyrecestra lord of Parva Totton granted to Walterus le Bon a road for himself and his, as long as the said Walterus lived, on foot and horse and to make a certain "Kay" on the north side near the mill of Parva Totton, that is to say going and returning from the said "Kay" as far as Bolredon and this he granted in full Court on Monday the festival of St. Gregory in the above year.

12th March, 1275.

1 Stephanus de Fonte son of Willelmus de Porthlem' by ordinary

purchase, sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Ricardus le Burgeys ; 2 Iohannes Scota son of Martinus Scota succeeded Bartholomeus Galliot, his sureties Martinus Scota and Ricardus de Plimpton cissor; 3 Iohannes Cola succeeded Michael de Maddaston, sureties Willelmus de Gavelbrigge and Iohannes Wada ; 4 Walterus Scuyer succeeded Rogerus le Walays, sureties Ricardus de Clauton and Willelmus de Bonevile ; 5 Benedictus le Bon by gift of Walterus le Bon succeeded David Kytel; 6 Ricardus Hurtebise succeeded his father, sureties Ricardus filius Ade and Ricardus de Porta ; 7 Adam son of Radulfus de la Wille by ordinary purchase, sureties Ricardus de Porta and Ricardus Batecock ; 8 Richeda [*sic*] son of Robert de Hole succeeded Thomas Gopyl, his sureties Ricardus filius Ade, Martinus Scota and Ricardus magister ; 9 Robertus son of Rogerus de Bovy by ordinary purchase, sureties Rogerus de Bovi and Mark Burgens'; 10 Galfridus le taverner by gift of Walterus de Brodeche succeeded Rogerus Rogga, fordede 8*d.*, sureties Willelmus Draca and Walterus de Brodech ; 11 Symon Justise by ordinary purchase of the ville, fordede 4*d.*; 12 Walterus de Brodech succeeded Rogerus Rugge (crossed out and cross placed before name, see above) ; 13 Brion son of Rogerus Godanentre succeeded Martinus de Stone, sureties Willelmus Penaunt, Robertus Comar, Ricardus de Lech(er), Aluredus Hoc, fordede 8*d.* ; 14 Willelmus Teyngtor succeeded Walterus de Codiakste which (gild) the same Walterus had by gift of Alicia Dagulf, sureties Iohannes de Yortacumbe and Willelmus de Cobaton, fordede 4*d.* ; 15 Clemet de Scarpeham succeeded Gregorius Amyot by gift of Radulfus Amyot, sureties Walterus le Bon and Radulfus Amyot ; 16 Caterina Facy succeeded Galfridus her father, surety a tenement ; 17 Ricardus de Bynnaleth succeeded Willelmus his father ; 18 Rogerus Hurtebys succeeded Willelmus Alewy by gift of Benedictus de Fonte, sureties Galfridus de Stock and Robertus Dobyn (this entry is crossed out and a cross placed before name) ; 19 Robertus son of Henricus de Altaribus succeeded his father, surety Nicholaus de H(?)undon (written in another hand) ; 20 Martinus de Fageslonde succeeded Serlo his father ; 21 Hugo de Wasseburne succeeded Reynfredus by gift of Robertus le Bastar, sureties Ricardus filius Ade and Ricardus de Porta ; 22 W(? damp stain)niensis succeeded Willelmus Hyrizim ; 23 A(nastasia, probably) daughter of Stephanus de Brodech succeeded her father ; 24 Reginaldus Bonvallet succeeded Petrus de Fonte by gift of Iohannes de Fonte ; 25 Petrus molendinarius (the miller) by gift of his wife, surety Willelmus filius Soreyn ; 26 Ricardus de Brugos succeeded Ricardus Dagulfuch by gift of Ricardus chapeleyn, sureties Ricardus le Burgeys

and Ricardus chapeleyn; 27 Ricardus vicar succeeded Iohannes Tulle by gift of Gregorius Gylla, sureties Willelmus Draca, Willelmus Paris and Ricardus magister; 28 (in a very illiterate hand by comparison with the rest of the roll) Davit Notta succeeded Galterus Bosca; 29 (writing very bad and indistinct owing to this and previous entry being crossed out), Bartholomeus de Ca(?)ic has the gild by gift of Davit Notta; 30 (In a third handwriting) Walterus Simon in the gild by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus Paris, Iohannes Wala, Ricardus magister and Ricardus Hamelin; 30b Iohannes de Bulkemore by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus Paris, Iordan Brita and Walterus Scota; 31 Adam le Hora succeeded Ricardus le Pays by gift of Walterus le Pays, sureties Ricardus filius Ade, Ricardus le Burgeys and Willelmus le Draca, fordede 8*d.*; 32 Aluredus Hoc by gift of Margeria Floura succeeded Aylmerus Stranga, sureties Galfridus de Stock and Willelmus Paris, fordede 8*d.*; 33 Nicholaus Infans son of Ricardus Infans succeeded Willelmus Crochard, sureties he himself and if anyone shall sell the said Gyld that he will answer for it that he will advise right, sureties Ricardus magister and Iohannes Loremarius; 34 (in the same illiterate hand as above) Davit Natta gave his gild to Bartholomeus de Caluc for his homage and servitude, sureties Robertus de Dertemue, Galfridus de la Kok (?), Ricardus (possibly "maistre" or "magister"), Iohannes Wada; 35 Martinus de Wylwey succeeded Walterus his father; 36 Rogerus de Lollesforde succeeded Martinus Athelard, sureties Iohannes Prior Hag and Stephanus Hag; 37 Martinus Stile by gift of Hamelinus Stile succeeded Willelmus le Bacheler, surety Radulfus, son of G. Sare; 38 Ricardus filius Ade by gift of Hamelinus Stile succeeded Ricardus le Bacheler (this is crossed out, a cross within a square opposite the preceding and succeeding entries, probably intended as endorsements that the deletion is correct); 39 Gregorius Gylla succeeded Henricus Pyha; 40 Annasia, daughter of Saveray succeeded her father, sureties Bartholomeus the chaplain and Ricardus filius Ade; 41 Brunnyg Herci succeeded Ricardus Perot; 42 Ricardus de Buffestra succeeded Hosbertus de Moreshavede; 43 Galfridus Morel by gift of Galfridus his brother, sureties Bartholomeus the chaplain and Ricardus de Buffestra; 44 (underlined) Ricardus Clement by gift of Alexander the clerk succeeded the same Alexander; 45 Galfridus de la Worthy succeeded his father, sureties Bartholomeus the chaplain and Gregorius Gylla; 46 Gregorius Gylla succeeded Walterus Haroth, surety a tenement; 47 Galfridus Zeleda succeeded Robertus Zeleda his father, surety a tenement; (below written) Zeleda the son of Matill' Zeleda; 48 Iohannes

de Boreston by gift of Galfridus Zeleda succeeded Willelmus Zeleda, sureties Galfridus Zeleda and Henricus de Brodech; 49 (crossed out) Willelmus de Karswill by ordinary purchase in the time of Willelmus le Bon; 50 (crossed out) Vyncentius de Hugeburth by gift of Hamelinus Stile succeeded Ricardus le Bacheler (not crossed out), sureties Davyd the merchant (*mercator*), Iohannes Loremarius and Martinus de la Stanar (? Stanneries); 51 Ricardus son of Thoma Kyneger by gift of Alicia his wife succeeded Ricardus le Bacheler, surety his tenement (this then is the correct succession, the above two deletions being incorrect); 52 Randulfus de Mobiry by gift of Alicia daughter of Odelyn succeeded Ricardus filius Odelyn, sureties Walterus son of Robertus Botyl and Robertus Botyl; 53 Ricardus son of Willelmus de Folaton by gift of Walterus de Brodech succeeded Luca Rogga, sureties Willelmus de Folaton, Ricardus Burgeys and Walterus Brodel; 54 Galfridus Tilia succeeded Seman the fisherman, sureties Galfridus Cottamur, Ioel le Gubbere and Petrus de Lovenator; 55 Radulfus de la Valeyse, son of Adam le lung succeeded his father, sureties Willelmus Hanstac and Galfridus de la Worthi; 56 Margareta, daughter of Oggis the smith succeeded her father; 57 Iohannes de la iallelond succeeded Thoma filius Odelin by gift of Helena his daughter, sureties Willelmus Dracha and Iohannes Chatel; 58 Walterus son of Henricus de Slaptun succeeded his father, sureties Willelmus filius Sorein and Radulfus filius Galfridi; 59 Petrus the clerk son of Edwardus the smith succeeded his father; 60 Ricardus son of Walterus Alewy succeeded his father and by gift of Galfridus Alewy, sureties Ricardus de Porta and Bartholomeus the chaplain; 61 Matill' wife of Willelmus Hanstack succeeded Ylbertus longus; 62 Andreas le daunneur of the gild of merchants bought from the seneschals by common purchase, sureties Willelmus Hemmig and Willelmus le Bon; 63 Margeria Symund succeeded Matill' de Bynnaleth; 64 Iouhanna daughter of Galfridus Mascoc succeeded her father; 65 Martinus Athelard succeeded Willelmus le Furbur, sureties Ricardus de Buffestra and Ricardus le Maister; 66 (crossed out) Agatha wife of Walterus le Bon succeeded Gilbertus de Gatecumbe by gift of Ricardus de Gatacumbe; 67 Willelmus son of Henricus de Loxcumbe succeeded Andreas de Bosco by gift of Robertus his brother.

Commencement of reverse of second membrane:

68 Ricardus son of Eva succeeded to the gild of Ricardus Meteyeve his father by concession of Walterus le Bon by his wish; 69 Iohannes le Hora succeeded Letitia wife of Iohannes Wade by gift of Iohannes Wade,

sureties Ricardus Hamelin, Iohannes Wade and Adam le Hora ; 70 Acelot wife of Robertus le Comar succeeded Hamelinus le Keyl ; 71 Iohannes son of Galfridus le Floyt succeeded his father; 72 Ricardus de Wyth succeeded Nicholaus de Dun'lmo (Durham), double fordede ; 73 Laurencius de Henneburth succeeded Ricardus de la Ya, double fordede 8*d.* ; 74 Iohannes de Pole succeeded Rogerus de la Wike, sureties Tomas de Strete, Walterus Osann and Ricardus Bassa, double fordede 12*d.* for himself and Ricardus Ad (?), and the son of the said Rogerus ; 75 Robertus Seleman succeeded Alicia sister of Radulfus Brewis, sureties Stephanus Palmerus and Willelmus Page, 4*d.* ; 76 Reginaldus the smith de Torre succeeded Godefrey Lovera, received in sight of the Court on Monday

Easter 1260. after the close (*post clausum*, *i.e.*, the Sunday after) of Easter in the 44th King Henry (III) son of Iohn, sureties until the coming of age of the boys of the aforesaid Godefrey, Bartholomeus de Calne and Walterus filius Eduard ; 77 Memorandum that Gregorius Gille and R—filius (obscured by stain) Willelmus Huting, Brunnyg Herci, Gillot' daughter of Amelin the clerk are not to be found on the Rolls, neither . . . Phibippus the smith, . . . Culling, Robertus Hurpehulle, Robertus Sutor and Iohannes Chatel (written in different ink at a later date filling space left probably for some of the above names) ; 78 Ricardus Tonaman entered by purchase of Ricardus filius Ade and Ricardus de Porta then seneschals, sureties Galfridus Dolyn, Willelmus Cobbaton, Ricardus magister and Galfridus filius Roberti ; 79 Iohannes Clobart succeeded Amisius the clerk, double fordede for himself and the said Amisius, sureties Iohannes de Pole and Iohannes de Fonte (in later hand) in whose seat (presumably of Iohannes Clobart) Ricardus de Strete entered by right of (*per*) his wife Alicia daughter of the aforesaid Iohannes, sureties Adam le Gras, Galfridus Palmer (stain but probably correct), and Walterus de Brodech ; 80 The same Ricardus Tonaman gave to the ville of Toton 6*s.* ; 81 Iordanus Brite by gift of Galfridus Dolyn succeeded Galfridus Lacy, double fordede 8*d.*, sureties Galfridus de la Stocke, Galfridus Dolyn and Alfredus Hock ; 82 Nicholaus son of Henricus de Parva Totton by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes Wade and Iohannes Kyneger, Petrus the clerk and Walterus Chochela (?) ; 83 Alexander de Benleg entered by common consent of the ville, securities Willelmus de Benleg, Willelmus Parys, Adam de Brodech and Ricardus Parys ; 84 Galfridus de Forde son of Willelmus de Forde entered by ordinary purchase, sureties Benedictus le Bon his brother and Nicholaus de Huneton (?). End of reverse of second membrane.

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Two membranes about twenty-five inches long by eight and a half inches wide are stitched together with linen thread. To these have been added two smaller pieces about six inches each in length, probably taken from some book of accounts and added to form a protective covering to the roll. The last piece is twice endorsed inside and out in English.

Outside: under No. 4 "A Rolle of the ffree mens' names anno domini 1260," and two lines undecipherable.

Inside (later hand): "A Roll of the Free Men's Names in the Year 1260 and their Admittance into the Society of Guild Merchants, etc."

The use of Arabic numerals shows that the dates of these endorsements are not earlier than the XV century; the writing of the last may well be XVIII century. The "No. 4" is of interest as suggesting three earlier rolls; two, Nos. 16 and 17, the writer has identified as being of prior date, but there is no third, and it is impossible that the present Roll No. 15, although of two membranes, was ever regarded as two rolls as the entries are continuous. If a third early roll has been lost there seems reason to believe that it was the oldest of all.

The older endorsement, on the outside, may have been made by Johannes Burhed, a former mayor, who in 1433 wrote a historical account of Totnes now in possession of the Exeter municipality.

It is impossible to determine the exact sequence of the names, the majority being in the same neat hand of Bartholomew the chaplain: for purposes of identification the names have been numbered, the two columns taken alternately as if written across, although in some parts from change of ink or pen it is obvious that at least some twenty names or so have been entered consecutively down one or the other column.

Crosses occur frequently before names in this roll, but as they vary from cross, crosslet or maltese to a simple cross scratch of the pen, and although doubtless signifying decease have lost all signification, they are not noticed in print. The illustrations of part of this and of the two preceding rolls show the nature of these marks.

Tot. Guild Roll M15. First Membrane.

Roll of the Gylde of Merchants in the time of Ricardus son of Adam and of Ricardus de Porta, A.D. 1260.

These are written by the hand of Bartholomeus chaplain and clerk of this brotherhood, who is a sworn (member) of this Liberty, members of which are:

1 the Abbat of Tore is in the Gild of Merchants paying 2 *solidi* annually to the secretary of the Gylda of Merchants Toton for all taxes at two terms of the year at Easter and at the Festival of S. Michael; 2 the

Abbat of Buffestre is in the Gylda of Merchants paying annually 22 *denarii*; 3 Willelmus Aunger; 4 Ricardus de Clauton; 4 Willelmus Page; 5 Walterus le Bon; 6 Walterus de Totefenne; 7 Willelmus de Bonevile; 8 Adam Stranga; 9 Ricardus filius Ade; 10 Robertus de Dertemuth; 11 Ricardus de Porta; 12 Robertus de Clauton; 13 Thomas de Strete; 14 Rogerus Elyot; 15 Iohannes de Fonte; 16 Martinus filius Athelardi succeeded Willelmus Furbur, pro se ford; 17 Rad. Amyot; 18 Stephanus filius Stephani Hag; 19 Robertus le Comar; 20 Ricardus Russel junior; 21 Ricardus filius Rogeri Caluwe; 22 Iordanus de la Stock; 23 Iordanus Frya; 24 Iohannes Hurnyng; 25 Hugo Pystor; 26 Benedictus de Fonte; 27 Willelmus filius Soreyn (underlined); 28 Walterus Edeward; 29 Willelmus Crocka; 30 Thomas Kyneg(er) junior; 31 Galfridus de la Stock (underlined); 32 Letitia daughter of Will' de Ponte; 33 Galfridus Cottamor (underlined); 34 Walterus le Burgeys; 35 Mark' de Totefenne; 36 Hamelyn Stile; 37 Willelmus de Garston; 38 Willelmus Paris; 39 Iohannes de Yortacumbe; 40 Galfridus Zeleda; 41 Gregorius Faber; 42 Willelmus filius Iohannis Hemery; 43 Willelmus de Gavelbrigge; 44 Robertus Mabun; 45 Iohannes Hylbard; 46 Edeward de la Peyte; 47 Ricardus chapeleyn filius Ricardi chapeleyn; 48 Ricardus Stile filius Nichol' Stile; 49 Iohannes le Lorimer; 50 Galfridus Alewy; 51 Letitia filia Hugonis Symud; 52 Galfridus de Brodech; 53 Galfridus de la Wodelonde; 54 Willelmus de Folaton; 55 Nicholaus de la Barre; 56 Walterus de Wuwelburth'; 57 Robertus le Bastard; 58 Thomas de Pouderham; 59 Walterus Cochela; 60 Agatha Bona; 61 Galfridus Herty; 62 Walterus le selor; 63 Galfridus filius Roberti (crossed out); 64 Radulfus filius G. Sare; 65 Phillip de Pole; 66 Galfridus Dolyn; 67 Willelmus Pyck; 68 Ger(?)eman filius Ricardi de Plimpton; 69 Ysota filia Mich' de Baddaston; 70 Thomas de Sparkewill; 71 Rogerus de Baddaston; 72 Walterus Hureward; 73 Ricardus le Mestre; 74 Rogerus le Heliar; 75 Willelmus Hanstock; 76 Galfridus filius Walteri de Gran(or v)e; 77 Ricardus filius Clementis (underlined); 78 Ricardus Draca; 79 Sonota de Luxcumbe; 80 Iohannes Wada; 81 Willelmus filius Thome gomer; 82 Ricardus Paris; 83 Walterus filius Galfridi de Brodeche; 84 Ricardus Goda; 85 Willelmus Hemmyng (crossed out); 86 Ricardus de Plimpton; 87 Thomas Draper; 88 Gylliana filia Stephani cochard; 89 Robertus de Huggeburth'; 90 Henricus Scota; 91 Willelmus filius Ricardi de Cornaworthy; 92 Willelmus Gamelyn; 93 Iohannes le Floyt filius Galfridi le Floyt; 94 Iohannes Lollay (crossed out); 95 Walterus filius Galfridi rustici; 96 Willelmas filius Roberti Nigri

fabri; 97 Iohelus Growa; 98 Willelmus London(er); 99 David Hemmyng; 100 Willelmus de Brodeche; 101 Walterus filius Warini; 102 Willelmus Teyngtor; 103 Robertus de Asprington; 104 Clement de Scarpeham; 105 Alexander de Brodeche; 106 Catrina Faci; 107 Iohannes Chatel; 108 Ricardus de Binnaleth'; 109 Petrus aurifaber; 110 Ricardus Hurtebise succeeded his father (*sub sede patris*); 111 Gilbertus de Exonia; 112 Robertus filius Henrici de Altaribus; 113 Robertus de Duraclyve; 114 Martinus de Fageslond; 115 Nicholaus Hemmyng; 116 Hugo de Wasseburne; 117 Thomas Barat; 118 Willelmus Yberniensis; 119 Willelmus Pennant; 120 Anastasia filia Stephani de Brodech (crossed out); 121 Robertus Dobyn Barat; 122 Reginaldus Bonnallet; 123 Robertus de Hurborneford; 124 Petrus molendinarius; 125 Sarra filia Stoncumbe; 126 Ricardus de Bruges; 127 Matill' filia Willelmi Hamelin; 128 Ricardus vic'; 129 Iohannes Vyrun; 130 Walterus Loveryng (crossed out); 131 Laurencius Burgeys (underlined); 132 Adam le Hora; 133 Mark' Burgeys; 134 Aluredus Hock; 135 Leticia filia Ricardi Athelard; 136 Nicholaus infans; 137 Sthephanus le voyl; 138 Bartholomeus de Calena; 139 Petrus Coffyn (underlined); 140 Martinus de Wilweye; 141 Galfridus Zeger; 142 Martinus Stile; 143 Galfridus Hock; 144 Gregorius Gylla; 145 Henricus Lovet; 146 Annas' filia Saverey; 147 Martinus de Boys; 148 Brunnyg Herci; 149 Ricardus Yweyn; 150 Ricardus de Buffestra; 151 Walterus lorimer filius Roberti mabun; 152 Galfridus Morel; 153 Warinus de Cumba; 154 Ricardus Clement; 155 Walterus Bassa; 156 Galfridus de la Worthy; 157 Amysius filius Roberti le tayllur (crossed out); 158 Galfridus Zeleda; 159 Willelmus Draka; 160 Iohannes Zeleda de Boreston (underlined); 161 Walterus filius Ossanne; 162 Galfridus de Forde (over erasion in a later hand); 163 Rogerus de Bovy; 164 Vyncentius de Huggeburth' (crossed out); 165 Robertus Bac; 166 Ricardus filius Thome Kynegor (underlined); 167 Ricardus fina (crossed out); 168 Radulfus de Mobberya. End of first membrane.

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169 Ricardus filius Willelmi de Folaton; 170 Robertus Tilia filius Walteri Tilia; 171 Galfridus Tilia; 172 Iohannes Clobard succeeded Amisius clericus; 173 Radulfus de la Faleysse; 174 Adam le Gras succeeded Ricardus de Gatecumbe; 175 Margeria filia Oggis fabri; 176 Rogerus de Lollesforde succeeded Martinus Adhelard, f.; 177 Iohannes de la Yollalonde quia suspensus; 178 Robertus filius Rogeri de Bovy by ordinary purchase, f.; 179 Walterus filius Henrici de Sclapton; 180 Richeda filia Roberti de Hole succeeded Thom' Gopyl, f. (crossed out); 181 Petrus clericus filius Edwardi fabri; 182 Adam filius Radulfi

de la Wylle, by ordinary purchase, f.; 183 Matill' uxor Willelmi Hanstock; 184 Benedictus le Bon, by gift of Walterus le Bon succeeded Davyd Kytel, f.; 185 Andreas le Daunehour'; 186 Walterus Scuyer succeeded Rogerus Waleys, f.; 187 Margeria Symund; 188 Iohannes Cola succeeded Michaeli de Baddeston', f.; 189 Iouhanna filia Galfridi Mascock; 190 Iordanus Bryte by gift of Galfridus Dolyn succeeded Galfridus Lacy, f. 8*d.*; 191 Willelmus filius Henrici de Loxcumbe; 192 Iohannes Scota filius Martini Scota succeeded Bartholomeus Gallicus, f. 8*d.*; 193 Ricardus filius Eve; 194 Alicia uxor Walteri Chochela succeeded Walterus Eustacius, f.; 195 Iohannes le Hora; 196 Nicholaus filius Henrici de parva Totton', by ordinary purchase, f.; 197 Azcelot uxor Roberti le comar; 198 Ricardus filius Walteri Alewy succeeded and by gift of Galfridus Alewy; 199 Ricardus de Wycht; 200 Alexander de Beuleg, by ordinary purchase; 201 Laurencius de Henneburth'; 202 Florencia Stile succeeded Salmioni Stile, ford' for himself and the said F. Stile; 203 Iohannes de Pole (crossed out); Iohannes de Bulkemore, by ordinary purchase, ford for himself; 205 Robertus Selyman; 206 Nicolaus aurifaber filius Rogeri carpentarii, by ordinary purchase, sureties Benedictus le Bon and Galfridus de Wodelond, f.; 207 Ricardus Toneman; 208 Bryan filius Rogeri godanenture (underlined); 209 Michael faber de Hundahole, sureties Galfridus de Wodelond, Iohannes Wada and W'illelmus de Garston, by ordinary purchase; 210 Symon Justise, by ordinary purchase, f.; 211 Stephanus de Fonte filius Willelmi de Porthlem', by ordinary purchase, f.; 212 Iohel Pistor de Dertem' succeeded Hugo Symund (per decensum) by inheritance of Elena his wife, surety the tenement which belonged to Hugo Symund, ford; 213 Bartholomeus filius Willelmi de Garston succeeded Walterus filius Galfridi Eustici uncle of the said Bartholomeus, f.; 214 Henricus Croc, by ordinary purchase, sureties Benedictus le Bon and Iohanne de Fonte, ford; 215 Willelmus filius (crossed out) Walteri de Wyke, by ordinary purchase, sureties Galfridus Dolin, Willelmus de Cobeton, Iordanus de Stock and Michael Faber, ford'; 216 Wydo de Wasseburn' filius Iohannis Biwestachebrok, by ordinary purchase; 217 Ricardus Bolte de com. emp. pleg., sureties Galfridus Nolin, Alfred Hoc, Henricus Scota and Markerus Burgens', ford; 218 David de Northestre', Alfred Hok, Willelmus niger faber, and Ricardus Yweyn, ford; 219 Ricardus Donnay, by ordinary purchase, sureties Thoma de Strete and Nicholaus Infans, ford; 220 Walterus Cauhon, by ordinary purchase, sureties Martinus Scota, Willelmus Pyk, Willelmus de Gavelbrig' and Ricardus

Russel, ford; 221 Radulfus le Corkar', by ordinary purchase, sureties Benedictus le Bon and Robertus Tiliar, ford; 222 Nicholaus de Fouwy, f.f., sureties Rad' Amyeth and Iohannes faber; 223 Symon filius Davidis by ordinary purchase, Walterus le Bon and Robertus Tilia, ford; 224 Iohannes Danyel, by ordinary purchase, sureties Ricardus Yweyn, Iohannes le Priur, Iohannes Zeleda and Galfridus Dolyn, ford; 225 Gosce filius aurifabri Iohannis de Plymton succeeded Petrus de Fonte 8*d.* ford, sureties Ricardus le Taylur and Martinus de la Wylweya; 226 Fabian filius Roberti Mabun sub sede patris sui. pleg. Willelmus de Cobeton' and Iohannes Wada, f.; 227 Nicholaus Champthun, by ordinary purchase, sureties Galfridus Dolin and Simon Justise with all belongings to the gild of merchants; 228 Herbertus Bozun succeeded Stephanus de Brodeche by right and inheritance of Agneta daughter of the said Stephanus wife of the said Herbertus; 229 Willelmus de Pole, by ordinary purchase, sureties Alfredus Hoc, et Robertus Tilia; 230 Willelmus Busse aurifaber, by ordinary purchase, sureties Petrus capellanus filius Edwardi fabri, Laurencius Burgens and Markerus Burgens, "ad omnia jura persequenda, ford"; 231 Robertus Virun, by ordinary purchase, sureties Stephanus Hag and Allexander de Brodok, ford; 232 Iohelus Kyde succeeded Willelmus de Buffestra his father, sureties Martinus de la Wilwerd and Ricardus Goda, double ford; 233 Adam Galewys, by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus le Draca and Willelmus de Corneworthi, ford; 234 Iohannes filius Walteri filii Ossanne succeeded Riginaldus de Bilrewille by gift of Iohannes de Fonte, sureties Walterus father of Petrus Iohannes et Ricardus Modi, double ford (in this and many succeeding entries the capital W and M are formed alike); 235 Mabilia daughter of Hugo Scot succeeded Hugo her father, fordede for herself and Hugo her father, 8 *den.*, sureties Nicholaus de Favi et Ricardus Bassa; 236 Robertus Fina succeeded Vincentius de Hugeburhe, sureties Markerus Burgens and Hugo Pistor, ford, "in dorso ff respice"; 237 Ricardus Modi succeeded Yalterus Modi his father, double ford; 238 Willelmus son of Rand Paris, by ordinary purchase, sureties Martinus Scota and Ricardus Burgens, ford; 239 Iohannes le Bon called Blakedon succeeded magister Iohannes de Blakedon', surety his tenement, ford; 240 Iordanus Fria son of Robertus le Fria, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iordanus Fria uncle of the said I. and Galfridus Alyn, ford; 241 Galfridus le Fader, by common purchase, sureties Ricardus Paris et Willelmus Gomer, ford; 242 Willelmus Liha son of Umfredus de Gripeston', by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus de Gaverbrigge,

Walterus Canhova, Alfred Hok and Iohannes Wad, ford; 243 Ydenia wife of Martinus Adelard entered in succession to her father Adam Stranga (probably the first two letters have been corrected), ford; 244 Willelmus Casse succeeded Ydonia wife of Martinus Athelard by right of (per) Elena his wife in free marriage, sureties Martinus Athelard, Thomas Kere, Willelmus Hemeri and Iohannes Chatel, double ford; 245 Willelmus Cabor son of Willelmus Cabor, by ordinary purchase, sureties Stephanus Hag, Martinus de la Wilweya, Ricardus de Buffestra and Galfridus Segar, ford; 246 Michael de Mallestone succeeded Florencia Stile his wife who entered by right of Sabianus Stile, double ford; 247 Stephanus Longus son of Willelmus Long', by ordinary purchase, sureties Robertus Tilia, Willelmus de Cobeton, Benedictus le Bon and Iohannes Wad., ford; 248 Walterus le Bastard succeeded Robertus le Bastard his father, ford; 249 Stephanus de Yedeston', son of Willelmus le Mey de Yedeston', by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus de Cobeton, Galfridus Dolin, Iohannes Wad and Henricus Scota, ford; 250 Ricardus Burel, by ordinary purchase, sureties Thoma de Streta and Robertus Tilia, ford; 251 Iohannes Burel, by ordinary purchase, sureties Walterus Hureward et Iohannes Wade, ford; 252 Willelmus le Mester succeeded Ricardus le Mester his father, ford; 253 Galfridus de Falewille, by ordinary purchase, sureties Benedictus le Bon, Robertus Tilia, Galfridus Dolin, Willelmus de Londoniis and Iordanus Brita, ford; 254 Willelmus Crespin, by ordinary purchase, ford; 255 Willelmus Bohetone, by ordinary purchase, sureties Radulfus Gesse et Nicholaus Hemming, ford; 256 Ydonia daughter of Benedictus de Fonte, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohel Kide et Ricardus Gesse, ford; 257 Iohannes filius Walteri de Wyke, by ordinary purchase, sureties Galfridus Dolin et Willelmus de Wyke, ford. End of second membrane.

Tot. Guild Roll M15. Reverse of First Membrane.

The top of the parchment has apparently been cut off as the first entry shows, a slip may have been taken to attach a seal to some deed.

258 Ricardus le Taylloure de Hurberton (?) by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes de Wike et Willelmus le Sehere, ford; 259 Reginaldus de Wrangaton by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Martinus de Lehge, ford; 260 Robertus de Hywisse, by ordinary purchase, sureties Walterus (F?)loyt and Ricardus Ywayn, ford; 261 Henricus Galewey by ordinary purchase, sureties (ad omnia jura persequenda et libertatem Totton' illesam conservandam inperpetuum), Rad' Gesse; Hugo Pistor, Markerus Burgens' and Henricus Lovet, ford; 262 Andreas Scot succeeded Galfridus Eusticius by gift of Alicia

wife of Walterus Cochela, sureties Willelmus de Corneworthi and Walterus Cochela, double-ford; 263 Iohannes Walerond de Dertemue by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes de Fonte, Robertus Tilia, Adam Loyt and Martinus de Fonte, ford; 264 Henricus le Bastard succeeded Matillidis de Maynston by gift of Emma his mother, double ford; 265 Willelmus Bernehous, by ordinary purchase, sureties Thomas de Streta, Iordanus Brita, Iohannes le Botiller and Iohannes de Fonte ford; 266 Hillarius son of Henricus Crok succeeded his father, double ford, sureties Benedictus le Bon et Nicholaus Hemming; 267 Avicia daughter of Robertus the Chaplain entered by ordinary purchase, sureties, Willelmus Wysdom and Petrus de Hurberton and Robertus the Chaplain, and gives 5 *solidi* to be paid at the Festival of the Assumption
1282. of the Blessed Mary in the 10th year of the reign of King E(dward I) and at the Festival of All Saints following; 268 Ricardus le Riche de Chureford in Brente, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes le Priur Hag [*sic*] and Iohannes Daniel, ford; 269 Walterus son of Claricia Pandoxatritis succeeded Ricardus de Plympton by gift of Gilana daughter of the aforesaid Ricardus, sureties Willelmus de London et Iohannes le Botiller, ford; 270 Adam Frye son of Iordanus Frye, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iordanus Frye et Ricardus Batecock, ford; 271 Stephanus le Neyrfevere, by ordinary purchase, sureties Ricardus his father and Petrus de Hurberton, ford; 272 Willelmus son of Willelmus de Foletone, by ordinary purchase, sureties Martinus de Lawillewye, Edeuardus de la Peyte and Ricardus Borvig(er) de la Willewye, ford (this entry is in another hand); 273 Henricus son of Ricardus de Stancumbe, by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus de Corneworthi and Ricardus de Fonte, ford; 274 Martinus Cola, by ordinary purchase, sureties Petrus molendarius and Petrus de Boleleghe, ford; 275 Walterus de Pouderam succeeded Thoma his father, sureties Radulfus son of Galfridus de Slapton and Ricardus Burel, ford; 276 Ricardus le Glovr succeeded Ricardus Hemerus clericus, double ford, sureties Iohannes le Priur and Radulfus Amiot; 277 Robertus Boschet succeeded Willelmus his father, double ford, sureties Nicholaus Hemmyng and Iohannes le Priur; 278 Ricardus de Strete on behalf of Alicia his wife succeeded Iohannes Clobard father of the aforesaid Alicia, sureties Galfridus le Bon and Walterus le Bastard and Stephanus de Fonte, duplex ford; 279 Walterus Enger de Odetone, by ordinary purchase, ford, sureties Nicholaus faber de Parva Totton' and Nicholaus Hemmyng; 280 Aubraye Crockele by concession of the community of the gild of merchants of Totton' for the term of his life, double ford, sureties Galfridus de la

Wodelonde and Thoma le Draper; 281 Alicia widow of Willelmus de Wyke, succeeded Bartholomeus son of Willelmus de Greston' her nephew double ford, surety her tenement; 282 Matillis de Prauulle (crossed out) daughter of Ricardus le Burgeis succeeded Laurencius Brugeis by gift of Markerus Burgens' double ford, sureties Iohannes Wade and Markerus Burgens; 283 Magister Thoma Ballard vicar of the church of Rattrwe "ffr" (brother ?) of Willelmus Page is received into the gild of merchants of Totton' by gift of the said Willelmus, ford; 284 Atoun de Crideton succeeded Katerina Faci by gift of Gilda daughter of Cicelota Faci, ford, sureties Robertus de Slapton, Iohannes Wade and Iohannes Burel; 285 Galfridus Hemeri succeeded Bronning Herci who was formerly in the gild of merchants by right of Suanekilda formerly his wife after the death of Ricardus Perot father of the aforesaid Suanekilda whose husband the aforesaid Galfridus is, ford; 286 Doucebele daughter of Margeria Simound succeeded the same, ford; 287 Isota daughter of Ricardus Gomer is in the gild of merchants of Totton' by consent of the community, sureties Walterus le Bastard and Nicholaus Hemmyng, ford; 288 Ricardus son of Galfridus Hercy succeeded Alicia widow of Willelmus de Wyke by gift of the same Alicia, triple ford; 289 Hemericus Wyot succeeded Ricardus Fina by gift of Robertus Fina, sureties Walterus de Porta and Willelmus le Sehere, ford; 290 Petrus son of Ada de Boleleghe, by ordinary purchase, sureties Galfridus Solin, Willelmus Paris son of Radulfus Paris, and Petrus molendinarius (in margin by right of Rogerus de Kyngdon), ford; 291 Matillis daughter of Galfridus le Taverner succeeded Ricardus Lenfaunt by gift of Nicholaus son of the same Ricardus, and the guild ought to revert on the death of the said Matillidis to the boys born of the said Nicholaus and Matillida, sureties Galfridus le Taverner and Nicholaus Lenfaunt, double ford; 292 Ricardus son of Gilbertus de Bosco' de Buffr' (Buckfast) by ordinary purchase, sureties Stephanus de Bosco de Buffr', Martinus de la Wilweye, Robertus de Pistor and Riginaldus faber, ford; 293 Galfridus Scota son of Walterus Scota by gift of Iohannes de Bolkemore and succeeded the same, double ford; 294 Willelmus de Haliwille from the county of Huntindon' baker of the lord Eudo la Zouche by ordinary purchase, ford; 295 Walterus son of Galfridus le Floyt de Northe forde by ordinary purchase, ford, sureties lord Walterus le Bon and Walterus son of Ossanna; 296 Henricus Lovet son of Henricus Lovet by ordinary purchase, sureties Alfredus Hok, Iohannes Pac (?), Martinus de Fonte et Henricus le Soperer, ford; 297 Galfridus de Bosco de Buffestra by ordinary purchase, sureties Martinus de Fonte, Stephanus de Bosco, Robertus

pistor and Edwardus de la Peyte, ford; 298 Willelmus Ballard succeeded Thome Ballard his father, double ford; 299 Willelmus Engelond succeeded Willelmus his father, double ford; 300 Willelmus de la Borne son of Galfridus de la Borne succeeded his father, duplex ford; 301 Willelmus son of Robertus de Slapton succeeded his father, ford; 302 Iohannes le Botiller by ordinary purchase, ford; 303 Matheus de Boclonde son of Henrici le Meteyene succeeded Ricardi le Riche de Churiford, sureties Thoma de Streta, Iohannes Burel, Ricardus Paris and Willelmus de la Borne, double ford; 304 Galfridus de Halstone by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus de Greston and Petrus de Hurberton, ford; 305 Willelmus Paris son of Willelmus Claudus of Totton' by ordinary purchase, sureties Willelmus de Corneworthi and Henricus le Bastard, ford; 306 Willelmus son of Iohannes Durand de Colrigge by ordinary purchase, sureties Walterus Onger, Willelmus Hemeri, Walterus de Porlemue and Galfridus Scota, ford. End of first membrane reverse.

Tot. Guild Roll M 15. Reverse of Second Membrane.

307 It is conceded by the Common Council of the ville that Willelmus Draca may not be on the jury of assessment (*tayllagii*) which is (appointed) and in future may be appointed for the assessment of the Ville; 308 Elena Crocka succeeds to the gild of Willelmus Croker on such condition that if she has no heir of her flesh (the gild) shall revert to the heirs of the said Willelmus; 309 Galfridus le Taverner by gift of Walterus de Brodech' succeeded Roggerus Rogga, sureties Willelmus Draca and Walterus de Brodeche; 310 Walterus Scota is feoffeed by lord Walterus vicar and Ricardus de Clauton' of the tenement belonging to the Bridge of Totton which belonged to Thoma filius Sacerdotis according to his charter Anno Domini MCCLX primo (1261) and Martinus his son is admitted to the gild of Merchants by gift of Galfridus his elder brother, ford; 311 Memorandum that Mabilia daughter of Hugo Scot entered the gild of merchants on Monday before Palm Sunday in the 50th year of King Henry, item on the same day Willelmus Bhanmud husband of the same Mabilia took the oath of the ville to maintain faithfully all the laws of the ville; 312 Mem. that Robertus Fina is placed on the roll as below by right of Lucya his wife as long as the said Lucia lives, and if she lives the longer the said guild shall be given to her husband if she shall have one and not otherwise; 313 Mem. that Herbertus Bouzun entered the gild of Merchants by right of the freedom of Agneta his wife and found sureties Willelmus de Bonevile, Walterus Bastard the clerk and Ricardus Calve, ford; 314 Mem. that Willelmus Casse entered the gild of merchants and found sureties as appears below, and to hold a tenement within the Borough (*infra* Burgagia)

1261.

1266.

of Totton' in that year, ford; 315 Mem. that Galfridus de Falewille entered the gild of merchants of Totton' on Monday before the Festival
1269. of All Saints A.D. MCCLX nono and found sureties Benedictus le Bon, Robertus Tilia, Galfridus Dolin, Willelmus de Londoniis and Iordanus Brita, ford; 316 Mem. that Walterus de la Hele entered the gild of merchants of Totton' on Monday before the Epiphany of the Lord
1270. A.D. MCC septuagesimo and found sureties Willelmus Drake, Iohannes Chatl, Adam Fria and Martinus de la Wilweye, ford; 317 Radulfus Russel entered, etc., on Monday before the Translation of the Blessed
1271. Thomas the Martyr A.D. MCC septuagesimo primo and found sureties Galfridus le Bon and Stephanus de Fonte, ford; 318 Adam who was the servant of Ricardus de Clauton entered by ordinary purchase, etc., in the time when Iohannes de Fonte and Robertus Tilia were seneschals of the aforesaid gild on Monday before the Purification of the
1273. Blessed Mary A.D. MCC septuagesimo tertio and found sureties Walterus Scota, Walterus Hureward and Walterus de Poudramhe, ford; 319 Adam Cole entered by ordinary purchase in the time when Iohannes de Fonte and Robertus Tilia were seneschals of the aforesaid gild on Monday before
1273. the Purification of the Blessed Mary A.D. MCC septuagesimo tertio and found sureties Stephanus le Voyl, Walterus Hureward, Thoma de Streta and Iehelmus de ultra Dertam, ford; 320 Robertus Sela succeeded Iordanus de la Stocke sureties Walterus Scota, Galfridus Dolin, Walterus le Bastard and Willelmus Bussa by gift of the same Iordanus, ford; 321 Adam Herbert entered by ordinary purchase on Monday before the Festival of St. Mathias the Apostle (24th February) in the above year, and found sureties, Walterus Hureward, Stephanus le Voyl, Ricardus Modi and Walterus le Bastard, ford; 322 Martinus, son of Iohannes de Porisleghe
1274. entered on Monday before the Festival of St. George A.D. MCC septuagesimo quarto and found sureties, Iohannes Priur Hag (*sic*), Riginaldus faber, Ricardus Burgensis and Walterus de Edetone, ford; 323 Petrus, son of Sarra de Hurberton entered on Monday after the Festival
1274. of St. Augustine A.D. MCC septuagesimo quarto and found sureties, Thoma de Streta, Walterus le Bastard and Iohannes Burel, ford; 324 Martinus
1274. Bodyn entered on Monday after the Festival of St. Augustine A.D. MCC septuagesimo quarto and found sureties, Iohannes Wade, Ricardus le Burgeys, Walterus Scota and Walterus le Bastard and entered by gift of the community, ford; 325 Stephanus de Bosco de Buffestra entered the
1275. gild on Sunday after the festival of the apostles Peter and Paul A.D. MCC septuagesimo quinto, and found sureties, etc., Martinus de Fonte and

Ricardus Paris, ford; 326 Emma daughter of Walterus Cochela succeeded the same Walterus by permission of (*de remissione*) her sister Alicia, double fordede; 327 Petrus de Engleburne son of Stephanus succeeded his father, ford; 328 Willelmus le Teyntur, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes Chatel, Iohel Bude (?), Adam Talenar (?), and Martinus de Fonte, ford; 329 Ricardus son of Ricardi Buffr' succeeded his father, sureties Willelmus Daboche and Petrus de Hurberton, ford; 330 Gilbertus de Fawy succeeded David Hemming, by gift of Willelmus Hemming, sureties Willelmus Hemming and Nicholaus de Parva Totton' smith; 331 Adam le Fayre is admitted by ordinary purchase in the time of Michael de Malleston and Andreas de Wyht, sureties Michael de Malleston and Iohannes le Priur, fordede; 332 Willelmus le Spicer, by the gift of the community of Totton', sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Thoma de Streta, ford; 333 Iohannes Le Botiler, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Willelmus de Greston, ford; 334 Henricus son of Willelmus le Rede succeeded Willelmus son of Soreyne by the gift of Soreyne wife of Petrus molendarius, sureties Petrus molendarius, Petrus de Boleleghe and Willelmus Paris, double ford; 335 Nicholaus (crossed out) son of Petrus, by ordinary purchase, sureties Adam Frya and Iohannes de Fonte, ford; 336 Iohannes (crossed out) de la Stocke succeeded Galfridus his father, ford; 337 Nicholas son of Gonilda, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Ricardus Paris, ford; 338 Ricardus Facoun, by ordinary purchase, sureties Petrus de Hurberton and Martinus de Fonte, ford; 339 Lucas Athelard, by ordinary purchase, sureties Martinus Athelard and Henricus le Bastard, ford; 340 Willelmus Wisdom, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes de Fonte, ford, Willelmus de Colbaton, Petrus de Hurberton and Iohannes Buryl, ford; 341 Iohanna de Ridone succeeded Richeude her sister, ford; 342 Iohannes de Levercumba, by ordinary purchase, sureties Iohannes Stok, Iohannes de Wyke, Wido de Wasseburne and Alfredus Hok, ford; 343 Willelmus Russel son of Robertus Russel de Malleburghe succeeded Ricardus de Ponte, and by the gift of Iohannes Wade, sureties Alfredus Hok and Ricardus Ywayn, double ford; 344 Ricardus le Noreys son of Stephanus le Noreys, by ordinary purchase, sureties Nicholaus de Parva Totton' and Iohannes son of the same, ford; 345 Thomas le Bastard, by gift of the community, sureties Willelmus le Bastard and lord Petrus vicar of Totton', ford; 346 Willelmus son of Iohannes le Priour Hag succeeded his father, ford; 347 Alfredus son of Galfridus Hok succeeded his father, ford. End of second membrane reverse.

post 1268.

1186. 4th October, John, known as "the Chantor or Precentor" from the fact that he filled this office for thirty years at Exeter Cathedral, was consecrated Bishop of Exeter by Archbishop Baldwin, also a native of Exeter.

1189. He assisted at the coronation of King Richard I.

1191. 1st June he died (Oliver, *Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 29).

Dart. Mun. Deed No. 937. 6th May, 1199. Among the Dartmouth Municipal Deeds (*No.* 937) is the copy of an Inspeximus made 5th December, 1415, by King Henry V, of a charter by King John, dated 6th May, 1199, at Westminster, granting to the fee-holders (*feodarii*) belonging to the burgh of Tottonia freedom from pontage, passage, lastage, stallage, and from all other customs. And that they shall not be compelled to plead except within the liberties of the burgh of Tottonia. And that no Sheriff or any other Bailiff shall in any way intrude concerning any demand or other case appertaining to the said burgh otherwise than in the matter of pleas concerning the Crown (for abstract of *Inspeximus* see under the year 1415).

This abstract is similar to the charter of King John recorded (in *Antiquities of Totnes*, Appendix, fo. 88) by Mr. William Cotton in 1850, on the authority of a copy communicated by Mr. James Cornish of Blackhall, but differs in two important details. A clause is included "that our burgesses of the said village shall have a guild of merchants," and the date is recorded as "at Westminster the tenth day of May in the 17th year of our reign." Mr. Edward Windeatt (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 163) adds to this information "some authorities say 7th year of his reign, and which is correct cannot be determined." According to the above Inspeximus in the Dartmouth collection neither date is correct.

10th May, 1215.

1205.

Mr. H. Lloyd-Parry (*Exeter Civic Seals*, fo. 6) says, "the Mayoralty of Exeter was created, it is believed, in 1200, and certainly not later than 1206." The above evidence suggests that the grant may well have been in 1199, and that at the same time King John confirmed the freedom of the three burghs Totnes, Barnstaple, and Lydford, although Mr. Thomas Wainwright is not able to throw any light on the earliest form of municipal government or the actual date of foundation of the Guild of Merchants of Barnstaple, the earliest extant guild roll dating from 1303 (*Reprint of Barnstaple Records*, Vol. ii, fo. 16).

The subject of the municipal government of the borough will be dealt with in a special chapter, but it may be pointed out here that a marked change took place in the status of provost (*prepositus*) as demonstrated in the list of provosts. In the earlier deeds of this difficult (because so

frequently undated) period the provost took *first place among the witnesses*, from the days of Ricardus Blundus (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xl) to the time of Provost Thomas de Strete (*Tot. Mun. Deed* I), who probably succeeded Ricardus de Clauton (*Tot. Pr. Deeds* lxxi and lxxiii), and was in turn succeeded by Iohannes de Fonte (*Tot. Mun. Deed* K): but although R. de Clauton as provost is placed first of seven and second of nine witnesses, his successor is placed fourth of seven, and the next provost recovered, Rodbertus Bastard (*Tot. Pr. Deed* lxi) is placed *last of twelve witnesses*, and henceforth this is the position assigned to the provost.

This change appears to have occurred soon after the accession of Henry III, and is so very marked that it must bear testimony to some great change either in local government, or in public feeling or respect for the office of provost.

Just as in the few instances recovered of the presence of provosts as witnesses previous to the days of Ricardus Blundus, the status of "prepositus" is in this way in no sense clearly defined, so the suggestion occurs that the position assumed by Ricardus Blundus in Totnes Priory Deed xl may synchronise with King John's charter of freedom dated 1199, which position was retained by the provosts during the reign of King John: this deduction, if correct, would be very helpful in allocating the approximate decades to which the earlier deeds belong. Although arranged numerically entirely on the evidence of witnesses and handwriting, which is only occasionally of assistance, the list of provosts subsequently abstracted seems to lend strength to this hypothesis.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxiii.

May the present and future know that I Alix and Sibilla sisters and heirs of Walter Gaidul have quit-claimed and confirmed by this my deed in the presence of our heirs to Walterus le Bon and to his heirs, or to whom he may have wished to deliver, all our right in a mesuage in Totonia which is near the gate of the monks and in eight acres of the land Rawerhildune. Because the aforesaid mesuage and the aforesaid acres were being bought by the hand of Walterus Gaidul our brother from the possession of Walterus le Bon while he was his household servant.

For this our quit-claim the aforesaid W. le Bon has freed us of X *libras* of silver which our brother the aforesaid W. Gaidul had owed him.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus de Cudyewille; 2 Robertus Bastard; 3 Ricardus the clerk; 4 Hunfredus the smith; 5 Walterus Bolta; 6 Reinfredus; 7 Willelmus de Asperton; 8 Wilckin; 9 Nicholaus filius Folconi, and many others.

In English on reverse " . . the prior yuw and for VIII acres of land."

Parchment much damp-stained, tag and seal no longer appended.

Witnesses 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9 all occur in Deed lxi. Although these deeds are not contemporaneous, no great lapse of time can have separated the dates of writing.

The words "prior yuw" probably refer to "the mesuage near the gate of the monks" perhaps the Priory yew named from the presence of one or more of those trees.

The hand-writing of this deed corresponds with the first Totnes Guild Roll.

PRIOR G—— DE MOLESIA.

It seems difficult to determine if this Prior preceded or succeeded Prior Iohannes, nor do we know what his real Christian name was, as so far only two instances occur (*i.e. Tot. Pr. Deed* xxiv, and the following record recovered by Dr. Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 239n). As Rogerus son of Walterus le Flamant occurs in the earliest guild roll (page 66, M16, *No.* 164b) and Walterus Flandrensis is one of the three witnesses recovered by Dr. Oliver, Prior G—— de Molesia is given the earlier chronological position. The name "de Moles or Molis" was one of the distinguishing titles of Baldwin of Exeter, charged by the Conqueror with the subjugation and government of the county in 1068. Another family of this name held the manors of Kingskerswell and Diptford from *circa* 1221 to 1350, so that this Prior was doubtless of good family.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxiv.

May the present and future know that I Rogerus de Hilesham have given and conceded in perpetual gift VI *denarios* to the sacristan of Tottonia annually so that one . . (obliterated by damp) mass shall be celebrated for the faithful at the altar of Saint Eustachius and the same R. de Hilisham has deputed Willelmus Hagge to pay those six *denarios* at the festival of the Assumption of Saint Mary from the mesuage which is between the house which belonged to Dolfinus and the house which belonged to Wilelmus Orcca. That this agreement shall remain steadfast and firm I have ratified by my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 G . . . Prior of Tottonia; 2 Mauricius sacristan; 3 Guido the monk; 4 Walterus Bonus; 5 Walterus Bolt; 6 Wilelmus Flagg; 7 Humfridus the smith; 8 Stephanus de Fonte; 9 Benedictus the goldsmith; 10 Stephanus the smith, and many others.

Tag appended, but no seal.

Mon. Dioc. Exon., fo. 239n.

To all the faithful, etc., G—— de Molesia Prior of Tottonia greeting. Be it known that we have granted to the leper brethren of Totton' two masses in every week in the year on Monday and Friday and one mass on Easter day and another on Christmas day. And if for any reason they cannot be celebrated on the aforesaid days they are to be performed on other holy days. For this concession the aforesaid lepers pay annually three *solidi* to our sacristan at the four times namely at Easter 9*d.* at the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist 9*d.* at the Festival of Saint Michael 9*d.* and at Christmas 9*d.* and if it shall happen that the aforesaid payments are not made the chalice of their chapel shall be confiscated and the chapel cease to be used for divine service. We have confirmed this concession by appending our seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Eustachius the sub-prior; 2 Moricius the sacristan; 3 Walterus Flandrensi, and many others.

It is unfortunate that Dr. Oliver does not mention where he encountered this deed.

The second witness, Mauricius, is the same in both the above deeds. Walterus Flandrensis occurs also as witness to Totnes Priory Deeds xlix and lx, in the second instance he is styled "the monk," and the deed is drawn up during the rule of Prior Iohannes. As Walterus Flandrensis does not occur himself in the early gild roll it is probable that he retired as an inmate of the Priory, and as such witnessed Totnes Priory Deed lx in the latter days of his life.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxv. *post* 1170. *ante* 1196.

May all present and future know that I Willelmus de Vascy in respect of God and for the safety of my soul and for the souls of my ancestors and successors and for the safety of the soul of Willelmus Buzun my lord have conceded given and by this my charter confirmed to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Totonia and to the monks serving God there in pure and perpetual gift half of the whole of my land which I have in Kingeswere with all its appurtenances just as it can be reasonably divided by just men of our mutual friends that is to say for the increase of the maintenance of the chaplain who for the time being shall have served the chapel founded in honour of the blessed Thomas the Martyr at the said Kingeswere and of others who shall likewise serve the same in future.

To have and possess wholly peacefully and honourably free and quit from all secular service request and exaction which may belong to me or my heirs for ever. And that it remains ratified I have confirmed the present charter by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Spichewiche; 2 Garinus de Morcell'; 3 Willelmus de Linguire; 4 Osmundus de Coletun; 5 Willelmus Daggeville; 6 Willelmus de Winestone; 7 Robertus le Bastard; 8 Godefridus de Austine, and many others.

Tag but no seal appended.

The above must have been written subsequent to the murder of Archbishop Thomas à Becket (1170) and previous to the foundation of Torre Abbey 1196.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxvi.

May it be known to all present and future that Willelmus de Vasci and his wife Iuliana have given for the souls of their fathers and mothers and of those named for the soul of Willelmus Buzun half the land of Kingeswere to Ricardus the deacon and to others succeeding him or serving the true God Iesus Christ and Saint Thomas there with him. To have and to hold in perpetual gift free and quit from all land service.

And thus this true gift has been made with the license of lord Rogerus de Nunant whose fief the aforesaid land is and by the sanction of his children of Wido de Nunant or that is to say both of Henricus and of Baldewinus. That this gift may remain ratified and unaltered they have furnished the true charter with the seal of his lord Rogerus de Nunant and have confirmed the same by the attestation of the witnesses below written:

1 Ricardus the chaplain; 2 Iohel de Waytord; 3 Iordan de Hode; 4 Robertus the serving man of Wido; 5 and the brothers of Martin, and many others.

On reverse: "Gift of half the land of Kyngeswere."

Appended seal stitched up in coarse canvas.

To this deed were attached the two following parchments together under Totnes Priory Deed xxvii.

The occurrence of a Baldewinus de Nonant is rather puzzling, as only in one other record does he occur, *i.e.*, in Deed vii of the Buckfast Cartulary, where he occurs as second witness to a deed by Henricus de Nunant, the first witness being Elisabeth wife of the donor. The Latin of the above Totnes Priory Deed xxvi reads, "et concessu liborum

suorum Widonis de Nunant aut videlicet et Henrici et Baldewini." Wido seems to have predeceased his father, as Henricus succeeded Roger II, and Roger III brother of Henricus (occurs as such *Tot. Pr. Deeds* xxviii, lxvi, lxvii, and lxix) succeeded him. Nowhere is the wife of Wido the eldest son mentioned, and therefore it seems doubtful that the above Henricus and Baldewinus were children of Wido; if brothers of Wido why are Rogerus and Ricardus not mentioned, and why does Baldwin disappear? For want of more conclusive evidence we can only presume that Wido predeceased his father, that on his brother Henry's succession Baldwin was alive and was the next heir, but shortly afterwards died, when the succession devolved upon a still younger brother Roger, who actually succeeded Henry who left no heir. Richard who occurs repeatedly as witness with Roger, but unlike the latter is never designated brother of Henry, was probably an illegitimate son of Roger II de Nunant.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxvii.

May the present and future know that I Walterus (de Vasci) (part of the first two lines has been fretted away) (for the safety) of my soul have granted and by this my charter confirmed to God and . . . (of the Blessed) Marie de Tottonia and to the monks serving God there the gift of the land in Kingeswere which my father Willelmus de Vasci formerly gave them namely the half of the whole land of Kingeswere so that in stead of the mesuages which I have retained as my portion I have assigned to the said monks for their share all that land which is on the north side between the ditch or trench (*fossatum*) of the chapel and my own mesuage which is four perches in width adjoining the mesuage of Arnold Parmentarius.

That it may remain ratified I have corroborated the present writing by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Martinus de Fissacre; 2 Robertus de Morcelles; 3 Robertus de Punchardun; 4 Willelmus de Winetun; 5 Osmundus de Coletun; 6 Willelmus knight (miles) of Uptun, and many others.

This original charter, probably owing to the damage above mentioned, has been copied in another hand; the seal stitched in canvas is affixed to the copy, and the two parchments stitched together in the left hand bottom corner.

Walter de Vasci occurs 21st June, 1201 (*Feet of Fines*, C32). He granted also "the land of Kingeswere" to Torre Abbey on the foundation

of that house in 1196, which gift was confirmed by Pope Innocent III (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 17b) and also by King John (*ibidem*, fo. 31a).

1. Martinus de Fissacre and 3 Robertus de Punchardun occur together at Exeter in 1199, in a case concerning forty acres of land at Galmeton (*Feet of Fines*, D30).

Tot. Pr. Deed xxviii.

May the present and future know that I Willelmus filius Stephani grant and confirm in perpetual gift to Gaufridus Dagulf of Totonia and to his wife Sarra and to their heirs in perpetual heritage all the land near Totonia which Stephanus de Tunstealle my father gave to Fulco with Basilia my sister in free marriage that is to say the orchard which is between the land of Hugo and between the land of Marcus junior with its appurtenances that is to say as the public way leads from the orchard of Hugo as far as the land of Gaidulf in descent as far as the ford and thence from the ford as far as the end of Marcus' land.

And two acres of land which are called Walcrot between the causeway (*inter cavam viam*) and the castle.

And three acres and a moor without the wall of Totonia which are between the land of the monks of Totonia and the boundary of little (*Parva*) Totonia.

And one acre which is called Docacar which lies opposite to the aforesaid acres.

And one acre which is called Vinea which is between the garden of Willelmus Gaidulf and the bank of the stream.

Just as this present charter sets forth Willelmus de Mortona gave to Gaufridus de Totonia with his sister Sarra my grand daughter, daughter of Stephanus de Mortona, by authority of the same Willelmus is renewed with my sanction in free matrimony free and quit from all service.

And that the true gift may remain in firm stability in perpetuity. I confirm this by my present charter and by affixing my seal.

In true recognition of this concession and confirmation the aforesaid Gaufridus has given me two marcs and a half of silver and to the lady Isabel de Lingeure my wife two bisants in gold.

Witnessed by:

1 Henricus de Nonant; 2 Rogerus de Nonant his brother; 3 Guido de Britevila; 4 the lady Isabel de Lingeure (wife of Willelmus filius Stephanus); 5 Ricardus her son; 6 Guido Croc seneschal of Henricus de Nonant; 7 Ricardus the chaplain; 8 Ioce the chaplain; 9 Benedictus clerk of Hurbertone; 10 Ricardus de Nonant; 11 Robertus son of

Herbert; 12 Rogerus Abbat; 13 Radulfus Abbat; 14 Willelmus Crispin; 15 Reginaldus de Westetone; 16 Baudewinus de Baccamora; 17 Reginaldus de Harastane; 18 Willelmus Crispin junior; 19 Robertus son of Eustachius; 20 Ricardus de Camera; 21 Radulfus the clerk; 22 Gauterus Camel; 23 Philippus; 24 Willelmus Croc -prepositus Totonie; 25 Willelmus Dagulf; 26 Iohannes de Fonte; 27 Gaufridus de London; 28 Gaufridus Faci; 29 Alewardus Burgeis; 30 Ace; 31 Ricardus Masecoc; 32 Iohannes infante; 33 Willelmus filius Liveve; 34 Gregorius; 35 Osmundus; 36 Nicholaus filius Fulconis; 37 Willelmus de Brodeche; 38 Gauterus (frater ejus) his brother; 39 Ernbaudus albus; 40 Marcus (frater ejus) his brother, and many others.

Judging by perforations, if seal was ever affixed it was hung on a cord and not as usual on a tag.

This interesting deed records: that Willelmus filius Stephani was the son of Stephanus de Tunstalle and therefore we may judge that the latter was the origin of the name Fitz-Stephen; that W. Fitz-Stephen married Isabel de Lingeure; that their daughter (Beatrice see *Tot. Pr. Deed* lx) married Stephanus de Moreton; that Willelmus de Moreton was son of Beatrice and Stephanus, since he was brother of Sarra the granddaughter of Fitz-Stephen; that Basilia married Fulco (who from *Tot. Pr. Deed* lx we know was grandfather of Sarra wife of Gaufridus Dagulf, and therefore father of Stephanus de Moreton and therefore) de Moreton; we also know that Basilia and Fulco had a daughter named Aliz (*Tot. Pr. Deed* lx). Risdon (fo. 169) tells us that William Fitz Stephen held Townstall in the reign of King Henry I (*i.e. ante* 1135), and that "he dwelt at Moreton," neither statement appears to be correct as he was alive in 1196, and also in 1205, when he held nine and a half fees under William de Braiose (*Feet of Fines*, D56); his connection by marriage with the family de Moreton perhaps misled Risdon.

One acre called Vinea. Mr. A. H. Swinton (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. i, part viii) writes, "it would be interesting to know why there is a Vineyard and Puddaven interpreted Pot de Vin near Totnes," and records that some chips of rude brown pottery, sometimes half an inch thick, have been found in one of these fields. Wine is supposed to have been manufactured in this country since the time of the Roman Emperor Probus, who introduced the vine into England. The land north of Beaulieu Abbey, Hampshire, has been known from time immemorial as "The Vineyards," and the ruins of a large building are supposed to mark the site of the winepress (Warner, *History of Hampshire*, Vol. i, p. 250).

Tot. Pr. Deed xxix.

I Ricardus son of Stephanus son of Willelmus and my heirs grant and confirm to the house of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there 20 *solidos* sterling namely at the festival of Saint Michael 5 *solidos* at the Birth (of the Lord) 5 *solidos* at Easter 5 *solidos* and at the birth of Saint John the Baptist 5 *solidos*.

If I Ricardus or my heirs shall not have paid at the aforesaid terms that within the octaves of those terms the official of Tottonia shall be licensed to suspend me or my heirs from entrance to the church so that the suspension be not relaxed until for every term in which we have abstained from the aforesaid payment 5 *solidi* shall be paid by way of fine by us to the aforesaid monks.

And that this my grant and confirmation may remain ratified and unshaken I have confirmed it by the writing of the present and by affixing my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Ricardus de Cumtun; 2 Lord Serlo de Peinctun; 3 Magister Ricardus de Croilande; 4 Magister Henricus de Samford; 5 Willelmus Buzun; 6 Robertus de Morcell'; 7 Herbertus Buzun; 8 Thomas de Peverel; 9 Ricardus Finamur; 10 Ricardus (damp stain), and many others.

Green seal appended, originally about one and a half inches diameter, now much broken, shows central floral device of eight petals.

The donor is doubtless Richard Fitz-Stephen, son of Willelmus Fitz-Stephen, and of the lady Isabel de Lingeure, and who was fifth witness to Totnes Priory Deed xxviii.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxx.

Martinus de Fisacre greeting. May the universe know that I have given conceded and by this present writing confirmed to God and the church of the Blessed Marie of Tottonia and to the monks there serving God one pound of wax annually at the festival of Saint Michael. That is to say from one mesuage with appurtenances in Kingeswere namely that one which lies near to the mesuage of Ricardus Lova on the north side which mesuage Adam Faber held.

If I or my heirs should not pay the aforesaid pound of wax at the aforesaid term the Prior and his successors are licensed by reasonable seizure to compel the aforesaid mesuage to make the said payment without any opposition from me or my heirs.

This gift and concession is even with the sanction and assent of the

said Adam Faber who held that mesuage and who has appended his seal together with mine to this writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus de Morcellis; 2 Gilbertus filius Stephani; 3 Robertus Buzum; 4 Willelmus filius Acelini; 5 Willelmus de Briteville; 6 Henricus de Altaribus; 7 Willelmus Finamur; 8 Willelmus de Binneleghe, and many others.

Appended one small green wax seal originally about one inch in diameter. An inscription between two well defined circles encloses a well raised triangular-shaped shield, chief indented by three, base by two inescutcheons. A second slit in parchment probably never had a tag.

The arms of Fyshaker of Plympton are given as: sa., three fishes hariant palie, arg. (*Armory of the Western Counties*, fo. 83). Fishacre of Comb Fishacre are given as: arg., on a chevron, az., three fishes haurient, or. (Lysons, Vol. i, fo. clxv).

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxi.

I Ricardus de Val have given and conceded with the assent and consent of Iohanna my wife and by this my present charter confirm to Willelmus Loveryng the whole share of a curtillage in Tottonia with all its appurtenances which lies between the garden of Matheius de Boclonde and the garden of the heirs of Adam Frye between the Lepers moor (*inter moram Leprosorum*) of Tottonia and the way which leads from Lydelychewille towards the burgh (*burgum*) of Tottonia.

To hold and to have all the aforesaid share of the aforesaid curtillage to the aforesaid Willelmus and to his heirs or assigns from the lord of Tottonia who for the time was (in possession) freely, quit, peacefully, entirely and by law of succession in perpetuity. Rendering thence yearly rent and doing service owed and customary to the said lord of Tottonia. And for this gift concession and confirmation of the present charter the said Willelmus has given me half a marc of silver hand money (*in recognitionem*) whilst I the said Ricardus hold to warrant the said curtillage to the said Willelmus. In testimony of which thing I have placed my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Malleston; 2 Martinus Rendel; 3 Willelmus Coleman; 4 Martinus Scote; 5 Ricardus de Fonte; 6 Willelmus de Brodeche; 7 Henricus de Corneworthy; 8 Augustine Bastard; 9 Matheus de Boclonde, and others.

The seal of Ricardus de Val has perished, but the canvas in which it was tied remains attached to parchment tag.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxii.

Of similar purport to Deed xxxi, conveying another part in the same curtillage to Willelmus Loveryng from Reginaldus Marker, with the assent and consent of his wife Juliana. Same witnesses. Appended small yellow seal, petalled design with cross in centre inscription around, diameter about one inch.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxiii.

Of similar purport to Deeds xxxi and xxxii, conveying another part in the same curtillage to Willelmus Loveryng and Matill' his wife from Matill' daughter of Henricus Bercombe and former wife of Ricardus Purchys in her pure and lawful widowhood. Same witnesses. Appended small oval seal in brown wax undecipherable.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxvii.

I Walterus Cuillebole the chaplain have given conceded and by this my present charter confirmed to God and the church of the Blessed Marie de Tottonia and to the monks serving God there for the safety of my soul and for the souls of my father and mother and for the souls of my ancestors and benefactors in pure and perpetual gift six *denarios* annual rent received on the festival of St. Michael from a certain tenement in the ville of Tottonia which is situated on the north side of the main street (*magni vici*) towards the bridge between the tenement which Benedictus le Bon held on the east side and the tenement which Ricardus Parys held on the west side. To hold and to have to the said monks and their successors freely, quit, well and in peace in perpetuity. And, if it may have happened that the aforesaid rent, etc., has not been paid, the monks, etc., are licensed to levy distress on all goods and chattels in the same tenement, until the aforesaid rent with interest and expenses due shall be fully paid. In order that it shall remain ratified and firm in perpetuity I have appended my seal to the present deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus de Mallestone; 2 Michael de Mallestone; 3 Benedictus le Bon; 4 Iohannes de Fonte; 5 Thomas de Strete; 6 Walterus Bastard; 7 Robertus Tilie and others.

Appended a small oval green seal with bust in centre facing sinister; inscription round reads SIGILL SECRET.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxiv.

I Alfredus son of Willelmus de Fonte have given and granted and by this my charter confirmed to Walterus Scot all my tenement with its appurtenances in the town of Tottonia which I bought from Ricardus Paris my brother (*fratre meo*) that is to say that tenement which is next between the house which belonged to Stephanus Hag and the house which belonged to Thomas son of the Chaplain. To hold and to have, etc. Rendering annually to me, etc., one pair of white gloves at Easter for all service save service due to the lord of Tottonia. And excepting six *denarii* annually to be paid to the heirs of Markerus junior for rent of the aforesaid tenement with appurtenances at the festival of Saint Michael. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Walterus Scota gave me six marcs of silver within the four walls of the Guildhall of Tottonia.

Whilst I the said Alfredus, etc., hold to warranty the aforesaid tenement to the said Walterus Scota, etc. And if I the said Alfredus son of Willelmus Paris, etc., am unable to hold to warranty I undertake to make exchange to the said Walterus Scota from other of our tenements. And if we shall not have had such a tenement the aforesaid Walterus, etc., shall receive six marcs of silver together with all work and expenses, etc., entailed etc., etc. Clause of distraint. I have confirmed the present writing by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus de Dertemuth; 2 Galfridus de Stowe, then provost of Tottonia; 3 Walterus Bonus; 4 Ricardus de Clautone; 5 Thomas de Strete, and others.

On reverse, "Concerning the tenement which belonged to Galfridus Scot."

Appended small oval seal, in centre crescent and star, around in large letters, S. ALFREDI. PARIS.

This deed (xxxiv) was tied together with *Nos.* xxxix and cxxvi. Deed xxxv is inserted chronologically *ante* Deed cx.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxvi.

I Willelmus Priour son of Iohannes Priour of Tottonia have given conceded and confirmed by this my charter to Stephanus Hag my grandson (*nepoti meo*) that solar and pantry (or cellar, *celarium*) with a certain share of the garden adjoining with appurtenances in Tottonia which came to me in possession and by inheritance from the aforesaid Iohannes my father and which lie between the tenement of Michael de Mallestone on the one side and the tenement of Willelmus de Colrigge on the other. To hold and to have to the said Stephanus and his heirs or assigns from the fief lords free quit and peacefully and by inheritance

in perpetuity. Paying rent and service to the said lords as much as belongs to such a part of the said garden. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Stephanus has given me twelve *solidos* sterling hand money (*premanibus*). Whilst I the aforesaid Willelmus, etc., hold to warranty the aforesaid solar and cellar with adjacent garden, etc., to the aforesaid Stephanus. In testimony of which thing I have placed my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Benedictus le Bon; 2 Michael de Mallestone; 3 Iohannes de Fonte; 4 Ricardus Tuc; 5 Martinus Scot, and many others.

Seal has been appended, but only the parchment tag remains.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxviii.

Willelmus le Blund son of Robertus le Blund de Tottonia greeting in the Lord. Be it known for the safety of my soul and for the safety of the souls of my father and of my mother I have given and granted for the lighting of the sacristy in the church of the Blessed Marie of Tottonia three *denarii* sterling annually received at the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Marie in perpetuity from my mesuage with appurtenances in Tottonia which (mesuage) is between the mesuage which Markerus Rufus formerly held and the mesuage which Nicholaus le Wauter formerly held. In testimony of which thing I have appended my seal to the present deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Benedictus le Bon; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Walterus le Bastard; 4 Michael de Mallestone; 5 Iohannes Wade; 6 Ricardus Yweyn; 7 Galfridus Dolyn, and others.

Appended small oval green seal, central head facing sinister, the lettering around does not seem to correspond to name of donor Willelmus le Blund, reads SPETUS . . . GOS.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxix.

I Iohannes Beneyt have given conceded and by this my present deed confirmed to Henricus de Cobaton' and to Willelmus his brother son of Willelmus de Cobaton' the whole of that tenement with its appurtenances in the burgh (*burgum*) of Tottonia which I have had by the gift of Galfridus Scota which tenement is between the house which was Stephanus Hag's and the house which formerly belonged to Thomas son of the chaplain. To hold and to have to him his heirs or assigns from the lord of Tottonia whoever for the time was (in possession) etc. Rendering thence annually himself his heirs or assigns to Alfred son of Willelmus

de Fonte or to his heirs or assigns one pair of white gloves at Easter for all service save service to the lord of Tottonia. And for this gift concession and confirmation of the present charter the aforesaid Henricus and Willelmus have given me six marcs of silver hand money whilst I Iohannes Beneyt and my heirs hold to warranty the aforesaid tenement to the aforesaid Henricus and Willelmus, etc. In order that it may remain firm and steadfast, to the present charter I have placed my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Malleston'; 2 Benedictus le Bon; 3 Walterus le Bastard; 4 Iohannes de Fonte; 5 Adam Frye; 6 Galfridus Scota; 7 Ricardus le Tuck, then provost of Tottonia, and many others.

Appended oval green wax seal with long cross and inscription, "S. Iohanni Beneyt."

Tot. Muu. Deed J.

May the present and future know that we Gervasius Peavannt and Christina my wife have given to Henricus and Willelmus de Cobetone citizens (*burgenses*) of Totton' a mesuage, etc., in the burg of Totton' which is on the north side opposite the pillory of Totton' between the street which leads towards the north gate and the messuage which Robertus de Mortcumbe formerly held on the east side. To hold and to have, etc., from the lords of Totton' for the time being by the customary service, etc. For this gift Henricus and Willelmus have given us ten silver marcs. Clause of warranty. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Mallestone; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Martinus Scota; 4 Vincencius Tuk(er); 5 Ricardus Tuck(er); 6 Ricardus de Mallestone; 7 Iohannes de Blakedone, and many others. (No date).

Appended two tags from which seals have been broken.

On reverse, in probably 16th century hand, "Nevant his grant to Coleton of the howse agaynst ye pillorie in Totton" (the capital cannot be read as N).

Owing to Michael de Mallestone occurring first witness, this deed is placed after Totnes Priory Deed xxxix.

Tot. Mun. Deed K.

May the present and future know that I Willelmus le Mol have given to Willelmus Parsonn of Totton' the whole of my garden in Totton' which is between the garden of the heirs of Martin Cole on the east side and the garden of Willelmus le Marescal on the west side and extends in length from the street which leads towards Brouneburge as far as the

garden which Walterus le Bastard held. To hold and to have, etc. Rendering service due, etc., to the lords of Totton'. And for this gift, etc., the aforesaid Willelmus Parsonn has given me five marcs sterling whilst I the said Willelmus le Mol, etc., hold to warranty, etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Malleston; 2 Willelmus de Cobeton; 3 Henricus de Cobeton; 4 Iohannes de Fonte, then provost of Totton; 5 Ricardus le Tonk [*sic* T]; 6 Martinus Scote; 7 Iohannes Bastard, and others. (No date).

Appended to tag oval black wax seal, inscription S. WILELEMI LE MOL, enclosing a cross.

Tot. Pr. Deed xl.

I Robertus Sparkewille my heirs or assigns undertake to render to the use of the church of the Blessed Marie de Tottonia namely that there may be lights before the altars of the Blessed Marie and of the chapel of Saint Peter of Parva Tottonia twenty-three and a half *denarios* sterling annually at the four terms of the year as contained in the charter which I the said Robertus have set apart namely from the tenement with appurtenances which I hold by inheritance in the ville of Tottonia and (which) is next between the house which belonged to Ricardus Hamelin and the house in which Ricardus Lingeuere formerly dwelt and likewise from all appurtenances from the aforesaid tenement to pay all dues to the lord and steward (*villate*) of Tottonia. And if I or my heirs or assigns may have wished to destroy the aforesaid tenement or retain the rent beyond a year and a day, the guardians of the aforesaid lamps, whoever they for the time may be, are licensed to enter the said tenement and to retain it notwithstanding the charter in perpetuity without opposition or hindrance from me or my heirs, etc.

I have corroborated the present writing by the addition of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus Blundus then provost of Tottonia; 2 Thomas Blundus then constable (*constabularius*); 3 Walterus Bonus; 4 Ricardus de Clauton; 5 Robertus de Clauton; 6 Ricardus de Russel and others.

On reverse, "Concerning a tenement which belonged to Robertus de Sparkewille which Michael de Malestone holds anew which is opposite his inn (*ospic' suum*)." Appended parchment tag from which seal has been broken.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 25b.

In an Index to the Deeds originally entered in the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey made by the scribe under the heading "*De domibus Tottonie*" are recorded eleven deeds:

CLXXVIII Carta W. de Cantelupo de tholoneo Tottonie.
CLXXIX Item de domibus Tottonie. Item Ysabelle.
CLXXX Carta Ade Tottonie de duobus solidos.
CLXXXI Item Luce de Penille de una libra cere.
CLXXXII Carta H. Pie.
CLXXXIII Item Ricardi Albi.
CLXXXIV Item carta H de Pomerio de.
CLXXXV Item carta W de Bokeland de Radeclive.
CLXXXVI Carta Rogeri de Bokelande de Scobethorre.
CLXXXVII Item Rogeri de Bokelande.
CLXXXVIII Quieta clamacio T de Spineto.

Either the compiler of this index did not possess an intimate knowledge of the locality or of the Abbey possessions because certainly the last five deeds have no reference whatever to Totnes but to the neighbourhood of Buckland in the Moor, or, what is a possible and if correct, a very interesting explanation may be that the family of "de Bokelande," at the time the Cartulary was written, were residents of Totnes, and for many generations after the grant of Scobethorre to Thorre Abbey would not omit, on occasion, to remind the Abbat and his officials of the benefaction of their ancestor (see occurrence of this family name *Tot. Pr. Deeds* xxxi, cxi and cxxxiii). The Index is written in the same handwriting as the bulk of the original deeds of the Thorre Cartulary, which writing is of the days of King John or early part of Henry III. In this Cartulary (so called "Dublin" in the possession of Trinity College as differing from the "Exchequer" copy of later date preserved at the Record Office) additions have been made in the blank spaces of parchment, and so we find inserted before the charter of William de Cantelupo a deed dated 1264 in the handwriting of the period which is not included in the Index "de domibus Tottonie" as it was drawn up some sixty years later.

Thorre Abbey was founded in 1196, so as no actual date is attached to any of them, the deeds are here entered together as having been written in the early years of the thirteenth century.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 121a.

Concerning houses in Tottonia.

Be it known etc. that I W. Tecelin with the assent of Ysabel my wife have given and quit claimed my right in that land which I bought from

Radulf Alan and his heirs to God and to the church of the Holy Saviour of Thorre and to the Canons serving God there that land with houses, etc., which is between the house of Alicia de Porta and the house of Amelora de Manittone except rent to the lord of Tottonia namely 2 *denarii* at Easter for all service. To hold and to have etc. I W. Tecelin and Ysabel my wife hold to warranty, etc. For this gift etc the Canons have given me one marc in recognition. And that this my gift, etc., may be valid I have appended my seal before the citizens of Totton' between the four benches of the Guild Hall (*inter IIII scanna bialde*).

Witnessed by (unfortunately in the Cartulary the names of witnesses to many of the Deeds are not entered).

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 124a.

Be it known, etc., that I Ysabella de la Triwe in my widowhood have given and quit-claimed to God and to the church of the Holy Saviour of Thorre and to the Canons, etc., all right which I have in a tenement in Totton which W. Tecelin formerly my husband bought of Radulf Alan which tenement is between the land which Alicia de Porta held and the land which Emma de Maystone held. To have and to hold free to the Canons, etc., except by service to the lord of Totton namely 2 *denarii* at Easter for all service. For this gift etc the Canons have given me half a silver marc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by (names absent):

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 121a.

The charter of Adam of Toton concerning two *solidi* annual rent. To all, etc., Richard son of Adam White of Toton' greeting (*Ricardus filius Adæ albi Totoni.* Be it known that I Ricardus, etc., undertake to pay to God and to the church of the Holy Trinity of Thorre, etc., 2 *solidi* sterling to be received at the two terms namely at the Festival of Saint Michael and at Easter—from that house situated between the house which was held by Iordanus de Stokke and the house held by Henricus Barat which I bought from the aforesaid church and Canons in the town of Tottonia. Clause of distraint follows. Grantor has appended his seal.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 121b.

Charter of Lucas de Penille concerning one pound of wax.

Be it known, etc., that I Lucas de Penille have granted to God and to the church of the Holy Saviour of Thorre and to the Canons serving God there 6 *denarii* annually at the Festival of St. Michael in the ville

of Totenes namely 3 *denarii* from Henricus de Porta and his heirs and 3 *denarii* from Willelmus Faber (Smith). I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by (names absent).

Apparently the pound of wax was valued at 6 *denarii* as there is no mention of wax in the deed—the understanding would be that the value was to be spent on wax for lighting the altars and images in the Abbey church.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 121b.

Charter of Henricus Pia concerning one pound of wax.

Henricus Pie greeting. Be it known, etc., for the safety of my soul and of the souls of all my ancestors and successors I have given, etc., to God and to the Church of the Holy Saviour of Thorre and to the Canons there, etc., one pound of wax to be received annually on the day of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary from me and my heirs for ever from that house which is between the house of Gonnilda widow of Robertus le Taylur and the house of Ricardus Pybroch in the ville of Totton', etc.

Cart. Thorre Abb., ff. 121b, 122a.

Charter of Ricardus Albus concerning one pound of wax.

Be it known that I Ricardus White (*albus*) son of Adam White with the assent of my heirs have granted, etc., to God and to the church of the Holy Trinity of Thorre and to the Canons of the Premonstratensian Order serving God there for my soul and of my antecedents one pound of wax to be paid annually on the day of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary namely from that shop ("*seulda*," *selda,æ*) which is between the passage of the house ("*hostium*" *ostium domus*) which was my father's which extends to the place which Adam de St. Wynistone after the death of my father held and my house which I have occupied. Which shop I received by right of inheritance. I have appended my seal.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 122a.

Charter of Henricus de Pomerio concerning 4 pounds of wax.

Be it known, etc., that I H. de Pomerio son of Alice de Ver' have given, etc., to God and to the church of the Holy Saviour of Thorre and to the Canons, etc., 4 pounds of wax annually to be paid on the Festival of the Holy Trinity from my rent of Biri by the hand of my seneschal or attorney. I have appended my seal.

1191. 1st June, John "the Chantor," Bishop of Exeter, died. Henry Marshall, brother of William Earl of Pembroke, was elected as his

successor, but owing to King Richard's absence and imprisonment he was not consecrated until 1194, and assisted at the second coronation of King Richard at Winchester, on the 17th April of that year.

1206. 26th October he died.

1202. On the 30th June, Bishop Henry Marshall confirms the appropriation to Tywardreath Priory of the church of Lanlivery, with the chapel of Loshuliel. The deed is dated at Poltonia, no witness from Tottonia is recorded (*Episcopal Register Diocese of Exeter*, fo. 2).

1214. 1st October, Simon de Apulia was consecrated Bishop of Exeter, after a long interregnum of nearly eight years owing to the Interdict (22nd March, 1208, to 29th June, 1214), Bishop Henry Marshall having died 26th October, 1206.

1216. 28th October he assisted at the coronation of King Henry III.

1223. 9th September he died.

Tot. Pr. Deed xlvi. I Maria the daughter of Rogerus le Furbur with the consent of my heirs have given and conceded and by this my present charter confirmed to God and to the church of the Blessed Marie of Tottonia and to the sacristan of the same house four *denarii* annually at the two terms of the year received from the house which is in the main (*magno*) street of Tottonia between the house which belonged to Hunfredus the smith on the west side and the house which belonged to Helye le Peg on the east side that is to say on the eve of the birth of the Lord two *denarii* and on the eve of the birth of John the Baptist two *denarii* which same house Malvinus Athclard and his heirs hold of me and my heirs. With these four *denarii* shall be furnished a wax candle for burning on the south side of the great cross of the altar in memory of my father and mother and of my ancestors and successors. I have ratified the present writing by the strength of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Alureid the chaplain of Tottonia; 2 Robertus Niger smith, then provost of Tottonia; 3 Markerus Burgeris; 4 Willelmus le Bon; 5 Iohannes Cnillebut; 6 Willelmus de Fonte; 7 Markerus Perot; 8 Andreas le Scot; 9 Ricardus de Clautone; 10 Wydo de Wasseburne; 11 Ricardus Infant, and many others.

Appended tag of parchment is formed of a strip of another deed, marks of sealing wax remain and a small piece of cloth stitched to tag shows that seal was protected in this manner.

Tot. Pr. Deed l. *circa* 1216.

I, Edith, daughter and heir of Randulfus Monk with the consent of Willelmus my son and heir have given and conceded and by this my present charter confirmed for the safety of my soul and of my ancestors to God and to the church of the Blessed Marie of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there my house and heritage in Tottonia which is situated opposite to the gate (*contra portam*) of the Priory of Tottonia between the house which belonged to Ricardus de Strete and the house of Nicholaus le Coit. To hold and to have to the said church, etc., free from all secular service except one pound of wax to my heirs annually to be received from the said monks on the festival of Saint Michael and except service to the lords of Tottonia. I have ratified the present writing by the protection (*munimine*) of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Aluredus, then vicar and chaplain of Tottonia; 2 Magister Nicholaus; 3 Markerus Burgense, then provost of Tottonia; 4 Robertus Niger the smith; 5 Willelmus le Bon; 6 Stephanus Hag; 7 Ricardus de Strete; 8 Ricardus Alewy; 9 Wydo de Wasseburne, and many others.

Appended only parchment tag from which seal has been broken.

On reverse, "Opposite to the gate of the Priory."

Tot. Pr. Deed li. *circa* 1216.

I Gaufridus son of Hugo . . . with the consent of my heirs have given conceded and quit claimed to God and to the church of the Blessed Marie de Tottonia and to the monks serving God there all my right which I have had or can or ought to have in the land which lies before the gate (*ante portam*) of the monks of Tottonia on the one side and the main (*magnum*) street of Tottonia on the other in length. And between the way which leads to the gate of the monks from the main street on the one side and the land which belonged to Iohannes Gumer on the other in width. To hold and to have, etc. I the aforesaid Gaufridus, etc., hold to warranty the aforesaid land to the aforesaid monks, etc for six *solidos* which they the said monks have given us as hand money (*pre manibus*). I have confirmed the present writing by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Ricardus Ballard; 2 Aluredus vicar of Tottonia; 3 Markerus Burgensi then provost; 4 Ricardus Puero; 5 Robertus Niger the smith; 6 Stephanus Hag; 7 Ricardus de Strete; 8 Ricardus de Clautune; 9 Walterus the clerk, and many others.

Appended parchment tag but no seal.

On reverse, "The place which leads to the gate of the monks." "In the year 1528 Willelmus Noseworthy inherited."

Tot. Pr. Deed xlix. *circa* 1216.

Rogerus Rugga with the consent of my heirs, etc., for the safety of my soul have given and conceded and by this my present charter confirmed to God and to the church of Saint Marie de Totonia and to the sacristan (*sacristarie*) of the same church one shed (*unam soldam*) namely that outside shed which is on the west side of that house of mine which I bought from Willelmus son of Hamelus and his heirs for the supply of a light burning night and day for ever in a censer (*in morterialo*, *mortariolum* = an incense pot) or in a lamp before the altar of Saint Marie that the said (sacristan) by the prayers of his mother (*precibus sue matris*) may procure to my soul the splendour of eternal light. To hold and to have, etc. I have ratified the present writing by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Nicholas Arundel then constable (*constabulus*) of Totonia; 2 Willelmus de Ramgni knight; 3 Martinus de Morcelles then sacristan (*tunc sacriste*); 4 Walterus Flandrensis (the Fleming); 5 Ricardus Basset; 6 Markerus Burg' then provost; 7 Humfredus the smith; 8 Rogerus de Ylesham; 9 Ricardus Stile; 10 Willelmus Flage; 11 Gaufridus Maletoc; 12 Hugo son of Simon the smith; 13 Michael the chaplain, and many others.

Both parchment tag and seal are missing.

On reverse, "Concerning a shed on the west side of the new tenement of Michael de Malestone opposite his inn (*ospic' suo*)."

The reference to the "prayers of his mother" do not refer to the intercession of the Holy Mother, but evidently to the mother of Martin de Morcelles the Priory sacristan, who doubtless owing to her piety had earned the especial regard of Rogerus Rugga. Martinus de Morcelles only occurs in this deed, but other members of this well-known family name are to be found which, according to Risdon (*Survey of Devon*, fo. 150), held the manor of Goodrington, near Paignton. We have no clue as to who the mother of Martin was. Martin was probably a younger brother of Robertus de Morcelles (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xxvii, xxix, and xxx) who held Goodrington *temp* King Henry III according to Risdon, and their father may have been Garinus de Morcell', second witness to grant by Willelmus de Vascy (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xxv).

Tot. Pr. Deed lii. *circa* 1216.

I Sarra daughter of Randulfus Scorchelu in my pure widowhood have given and granted and by this my charter confirmed with the consent of

my heirs to Galfredus the clerk of Tottonia, etc., one mesuage with appurtenances in Tottonia namely that mesuage which is next between the land which belonged to Willelmus Pipard and the land which belonged to Robertus Scorchel. To hold and to have, etc., whilst rendering yearly to me or my heirs one pound of cumin (an umbelliferous plant, seed carminative) at the festival of Saint Michael for all services except by rent of the lords of Tottonia. And for this gift, etc., the said Galfridus has given me twenty *solidos* sterling hand money in recognition between the four walls of the Guildhall of Tottonia for which I Sarra, etc., hold to warranty the said mesuage to the said Galfridus, etc. And if we are not able to hold the said tenement to warranty we are to make reasonable exchange of our land of Hengleburne to the said Galfridus to the value of the said tenement. I have confirmed this deed by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Mark Burger then provost; 2 Robert Niger the smith; 3 Willelmus le Bon; 4 Stephanus Hag; 5 Ricardus Stile; 6 Ricardus de Strete; 7 Ricardus Infant; 8 Hemer' the smith; 9 Hugo son of Simund; 10 Givido de Totefenn'; 11 Galfridus de Cottemore; 12 Iohannes Killebol; 13 Willelmus de Fonte; 14 Walterus the clerk, and many others.

Small piece of silk cord indicates that seal was probably affixed.

Tot. Pr. Deed liii.

I Ricardus Wolward for the safety of my soul and of my ancestors have given and conceded and by my present charter confirmed being healthy and sound to God and to the church of Saint Marie of Totonia and to the monks serving God there all that my free tenement in Totonia with all its appurtenances namely that which is situated on the north side of the place between the tenement of Ricardus Cuillebule and the tenement of Sevarus Alwi in the first year of the coronation of King Henry (this must mean Henry III, 1216). To hold and to have, etc., free from all secular exaction except the service of the lord of Totonia and by the same white gloves except to my heirs after my death every year at Easter for all service. And this was made between the four walls of the Guildhall of Totonia. I have confirmed the present writing by appending my seal.

1216.

Witnessed by:

1 Markerus Burgens at that time provost; 2 Ricardus Cuillebule; 3 Iohannes Cuillebule; 4 Robertus Niger the smith; 5 Willelmus Bon; 6 Ricardus Stile; 7 Stephanus the smith; 8 Hunfredus the smith;

9 Nicholas Fulcun; 10 Hemer' the smith; 11 Ricardus brother of Hemer' the smith; 12 Walterus de Wika; 13 Radulfus Albus; 14 Willelmus Flagge, and many others.

Appended round green wax seal with eight petalled star as centre device, inscription reads sinister top SIGILL, dexter WOLWARD.

Tot. Pr. Deed liv. *circa* 1216.

I Ricardus Wolward have given and conceded and by my present charter confirmed to God and to the church of Saint Marie of Totonia the rent of two *solidi* annually received from the house of Sevarus Alwi which he Severus and his heirs are bound to pay me at the two terms of the year namely at the festival of Saint Michael twelve *denarii* and at Easter twelve *denarii*. To hold and to have, etc., whilst rendering to me and my heirs yearly two *denarii* at the feast of Saint Michael for all service. I was hale and sound when I have made and confirmed this gift. I have ratified the present writing by appending my seal and this was done between the four walls of the Guildhall of Totonia.

Witnessed by:

1 Markerus Burgensis then at that time provost; 2 Ricardus Cuillebule; 3 Robertus Niger the smith; 4 Stephanus the smith; 5 Nicholaus Fulcun; 6 Hunfredus the smith; 7, 8 the brothers Hemerus and Ricardus; 9 Willelmus Bon; 10 Iohannes Cuillebole; 11 Thomas the chaplain, and many others.

On reverse in English, "A grannt made by Richard Wolwarde to the church of Saint Marie of Totnes of II *solidi*, etc."

Both parchment tag and seal are missing.

PRIOR IOHANNES.

Tot. Pr. Deed lv. *circa* 1216.

Iohannes Prior of Tottonia and the humble Convent of the same place greeting. By common counsel and assent we have given, etc., to Andree Le Scot and his heirs, etc., all that land which belonged to Willelmus de Slaptone which is situated between the land which belonged to Britius and the land which belonged to Robertus Bolta and the land which belonged to Robertus le Tailleur aud the land which belonged to Galfridus de London and the land which belonged to Paganus with all its belongings. To hold and to have, etc. Whilst rendering annually to our house of Totonia six *denarii* at the feast of Saint Michael for all service save service of the lords of Totonia. And for this gift, etc., the said Andreas has given us two marcs of silver in recognition between the

four walls of the Gilhall of Totonia. We hold to warranty this gift to the said Andree, etc. We have confirmed the present writing by the impression of the common seal of our house.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Fulco sub prior; 2 Henricus then cellarer; 3 Ilarius the monk; 4 Ricardus Ballard; 5 Ricardus de Clawetone; 6 Mark Burgensi then provost; 7 Robertus Niger the smith; 8 Willelmus le Bon; 9 Stephanus Hag; 10 Willelmus de Fonte; 11 Galfridus de Plympton; 12 Nicholas le Mafrum (possibly *le méfiant* = the suspicious); 13 Nicholas Foukewin; 14 Stephanus the smith; 15 Nicholas the chaplain, and many others.

Appended parchment tag from which seal has been broken off.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 121b.

Charter of Henricus Pie concerning one pound of wax.

To all, etc., Henricus Pie greeting. Be it known that for the welfare of my soul and of my antecedents and successors I have given to God and to the church of the Holy Saviour of Thorre and to the Canons serving God there one pound of wax to be received annually on the day of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary the Virgin from that house which is between the house of Gonnilda widow of Robertus le Taylur and the house of Ricardus Pyroch in the town of Toton, etc.

This deed should chronologically succeed Totnes Priory Deed lv, when Robertus le Tailleur was living. A Ricardus le Pais (which name is possibly the same as subsequently written Paya, *Tot. Pr. Deed* cx) gave one pound of wax to Totnes Priory about this period (see *Tot. Pr. Deed* xlvii). The similarity of gift suggests that perhaps two brothers gave each a gift to the religious house of his choice.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 124a.

To all the faithful, etc., Gunnilda widow of Robert Cisor (Taylor, see *Tot. Pr. Deeds* lv and lxxviii) greeting. Be it known that for the safety of my soul and of the soul of my former husband Robert and of my antecedents and successors I have granted to God and the Blessed Mary and to the church of the Holy Trinity of Thorre and to the Canons serving God there in the Premonstratensian order 6 *denarii* annual rent in the ville of Totton to be paid on Easter Eve by the heirs or assigns of Walterus Modus from that burgage which the said Walterus holds of me in the aforesaid town. Which burgage lies between the house of the Abbat of Buckfestre and the house of Walterus Hureward on the south side of the public road which leads through the middle of the aforesaid ville of Totton. And if it should happen that the heirs of the aforesaid

Walterus Hodi [*sic*] should omit to pay, etc. Clause of distraint follows. Clause of warranty by Gunnilda who has affixed her seal.

Witnessed by (names absent).

Tot. Pr. Deed xli.

I Alicia Amiot daughter of Thomas Amiot have given conceded and quit claimed in perpetuity to my brother Radulfus all right and claim which I have had or can have in all tenements which belonged to my father Thomas in Totonia namely in a tenement with appurtenances above Werland in Parva Totonia which is between the land which belonged to Galfridus the son of Sara and the land which belonged to Walterus the miller. To hold from the lord of Parva Tottonia rendering annually service to the lord of Parva Tottonia as contained in the charter which Tomas my father had from lord Willelmus Pipard.

And all right and claim in a tenement in the south street of Tottonia which is between the land which belonged to Robertus de Dertemue and the land which belonged to Alexander the clerk. To hold of the Prior of Tottonia. Paying annually to the Prior one pound of wax on the Assumption of the Blessed Marie. And all right and claim in a tenement in Tottonia which is between the land which belonged to Adam de Wercumba and the land which belonged to Robertus le Combere. To hold of the lord of Tottonia. Rendering service annually to the lord of Totonia as much as belongs to such a tenement in that town. For this gift, etc., the said Radulfus my brother has given me twenty *solidos* sterling in recognition whilst I and my heirs undertake to warranty. I have confirmed the present writing by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Cuillebolle, then provost of Totonia; 2 Willelmus de Fonte; 3 Ricardus de Clauton; 4 Ricardus Albus; 5 Ricardus Stile; 6 Ricardus son of Humfridus; 7 Ricardus Russel; 8 Nicholas de Dunelm, and many others.

On reverse, "Werlond in little Tottonia one pound of wax on the festival of the Assumption."

Appended oval green seal with inscription round S. ALICIE AMIOT.

Willelmus Pipard occurs again in Totnes Priory Deed lii, and probably is the same individual.

In the Inquisitions post mortem the following occur:

1267 William Pipard, C18; 51 Henry III.

1283 Thomas Pipard, C26; 11 Edward I.

1286 Thomas Pipard deest, C26; 14 Edward I.

1300 William Pypard, C37; 28 Edward I.
1301 Willlam son and heir of Thomas Pipard (Norman), C41; 29 Edward I.
1343 William son of John Pipard, pro Domus de la Werlond, C50; 16 Edward III.
1350 William Pypard, C2; (part 1) 23 Edward III.
1365 Margery wife of William Pipard, C35; 38 Edward III.

Lysons state (fo. 55) that the manor of North Bovey was at an early period in the family of Pipard. A Pipard married a co-heiress of the family of de Pola of South Pool (fo. 420). In the reign of King John the Pipards owned Larkbeare (fo. 469), their arms were: arg., three bars gemelles, az. (fo. clxviii). In 1238 William de Blakedon granted to William Pypard 4 ferlings (1 virgate) in Borhiwis (*Feet of Fines Devon*, N298).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 74.

Willelmus de Briteville grants to Walterus vicar of Totton' 2 *solidi* rent from a house in Totton' for which the said Walterus gave him 20 *solidi* "inter quatuor scanna Gihallie Tottortonie." John Cuillevole then provost.

This is the brief extract given in the Catalogue made by Mr. Stuart A. Moore, F.S.A., in 1879-80, and was the only one of the deeds referring to Totnes in the Dartmouth Municipal Collection which the author was unable to find.

Tot. Pr. Deed xliii.

I Willelmus Rugge have given conceded and by this my present charter confirmed to Galfridus Rugge my brother the whole of my share and all right in that tenement with appurtenances in Tottonia which belonged to my father Rogerus Rugge and which the said Rogerus Rugge bought from Willelmus Hamelin. Which (tenement) is between the land which belonged to Unfredus the smith and the land which belonged to Willelmus Hamelin.

And eight *denarios* rent which Margareta daughter of Galfridus son of (fretted away) annually were paying me from an orchard (*orto*) in the street (*vico*) of north Tottonia which is between the tenement which belonged to Sevarus le Fig' and the tenement which belonged to Galfridus Tille. To hold and have, etc., whilst rendering me annually one pair of white gloves at Easter for all service, save service of the lords of Tottonia. For this my gift the said Galfridus Rugge gave me twenty *solidos*. I and my heirs undertake to warranty the said land to the said Galfridus Rugge. I have confirmed this writing by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus Niger the smith; 2 Iohannes Kuillebol; 3 Willelmus de Fonte; 4 Ricardus——; 5 Andreas le Scot; 6 Nicholas de Dunelm' and many others.

The parchment has been fretted in places; appended is a piece of coarse woven braid.

A Willelmus Niger held several manors of Baldwin the Sheriff in Domesday.

1249 31 May. At Exeter Andrew le Escot is tenant as to one quarter of an acre of land in Totton in case in which Gregory Gille and Margery his wife are plaintiffs. For 2 marcs paid by Andrew, Gregory and Margery quit claimed their right to him and his heirs.

Tot. Pr. Deed xliv. *circa* 1220.

This is an agreement made between the Prior and Convent of Tottonia and the Prior and Convent of Thywardret. That the Prior and Convent of Tottonia henceforth shall have and shall be accountable for (*presitebunt*) a certain portion of the tithes in the parish of Brixham namely two parts of the tithes arising from the domain of Wodehiwille with appurtenances which the Prior and Convent of Thywardret have been accustomed to receive there annually for eight *solidos* sterling which the said Prior and Convent of Tottonia undertake without further subterfuge or delay to pay every year within the octave of the Assumption of the Blessed Marie (August 15-22) to the lord Prior of Thywardret or to his representative sent for this purpose to Tottonia. This portion indeed the Prior and Convent of Thywardret, as this charter sets forth, have conceded if at the aforesaid term satisfaction is made to them of the eight *solidos* otherwise the Prior and Convent of Tywardret are licensed on their own authority to enter into possession of the aforesaid tithes. In witness of which the Prior and Convent of Tottonia and the Prior and Convent of Thywardret have appended in the manner of "cyrographum" the seals of their chapters alternately to the present writings.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus then vicar of Tottonia; 2 Thomas Bastard; 3 Robertus de Hywille; 4 Iohannes Coc; 5 Walterus the chaplain and many others.

Appended only one parchment tag with no trace of seal.

In the register of Bishop Bronescombe, fo. 10*b*, is a decision given by the Bishop at Paignton, January 30th, 1259-60, between Nicholaus prior and Walterus perpetual vicar of the church of Totton. Oliver apparently judges from the above that the agreement between Totton and Thywardret,

a copy of which he encountered, but does not mention where, possibly at Wardour Castle, being witnessed by Walterus then vicar of Tottonia must therefore be during the Priorate of Nicholaus.

This date 1259-60 and agreement with the vicar mark, we think, rather the advent of a new Prior (Nicholaus) than of Walterus the vicar who must have occupied the vicarage for many years, in which case the above deed may be earlier that 1260'. On the other hand (as the deed appears to have been drawn up at Totnes rather than at Tywardreath) the lease of part of the tithes of Brixham may well have been arranged on the promotion of a new Prior to Totnes, as the instalment would probably be attended by the Prior of Tywardreath, and the occasion taken advantage of to adjust such a matter. It is curious that no witness is recorded from Tywardreath, unless Walterus the chaplain may be regarded as such. The date of above deed may be *circa* 1220.

Tot. Pr. Deed xlvii.

I Ricardus le Pais have given and conceded to the church of Saint Marie of Totonia and to the convent of the same place one pound of wax to be rendered on the Assumption of Saint Marie for the safety of my soul and of my ancestors that is to say from that land formerly belonging to Nicholas Scerotecario (doubtless meant for *secretarius* = the scribe). Which land lies between two ways which separate below the north gate and the orchard of Paganus Crochard. I have ratified this confirmation by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Hugo the priest; 2 Magister Nicholas; 3 Markerus Burg'; 4 Nicholas Foukewin; 5 Willelmus le Bon; 6 Willelmus de Fonte; 7 Ricardus Stile; 8 Walterus the clerk, and many others.

Appended to parchment tag the dexter half of seal, central device foliated star and the letters ARDI. LE. PAIS.

On reverse, "Concerning the tenement which David de Northastret formerly held namely that in which lives—Northastret."

"For one pound of wax on the festival of the Assumption."

Tot. Pr. Deed xlii.

I Willelmus Rugga have given and conceded and by this present writing confirmed to God and to the church of the Blessed Marie de Tottonia and to the monks serving God and Saint Marie there a certain portion (of land) in Totonia which is situated between the land which Ricardus Notta formerly held and the land which Adam de Brodeho formerly held that is to say the whole manor shed (*soldam maneriam*) with

the solar overhead on the west side of the yard ("*hostii*") of the said house which shed contains sixteen feet in length and as many feet in width. To have and to hold to the said monks, etc., etc.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus, then vi . .; 2 Ricardus de Clautone; 3 Hugo de . .

Much of the deed illegible on account of damp stains.

Appended a round green wax seal; central device eight petalled star, inscription around very indistinct but probably read S. WILLELMI RUGGA.

Tot. Pr. Deed xlviii.

Galfridus Rugge greeting. For the safety of my soul I have conferred and by the present writing confirmed to the Prior and monks etc., of Totonia two *solidos* rent from (parchment fretted away) I have held in Totonia annually receiving at the four terms in equal portions which (tenement) is between the land which Robertus Faber held and the land which Rogerus de Brodeche held. I have appended my seal to the present deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus then vicar of Tottonia; 2 Ricardus de Clautone; 3 Walterus le Bon; 4 Henricus de Altaribus; 5 Ricardus Albus; 6 Ricardus Russel; 7 Nicholaus de Dunelm and others.

Appended parchment tag with trace of green sealing wax adhering.

This deed was stitched in the left hand bottom corner to Deed xliii.

Tot. Pr. Deed lvi.

I Galfridus de Occestune have conceded and quit-claimed to God and to the church of Saint Marie of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there all the right which I have had in that land in the town of Totonia with appurtenances which is midway between the house which belonged to Walterus le Bon and the house which belonged to Rogerus de Ilesham. I have also conceded and quit-claimed to the aforesaid church and monks the whole right which I have had in that land in the town of Totonia with its appurtenances which is next to the land on the western side which belonged to Galfridus Ilta which lands moreover I the aforesaid Galfridus claimed from the aforesaid monks at the Bar of the lord King in the county of Exeter as belonging to me by the law of heritage from the share of Ricardus de Wasseburne to hold and have the aforesaid lands, etc., free from all secular exaction except belonging to the lord of Tottonia by law of burgage. For this concession and quit-claim the monks have given me ten *solidi* in recognition and have received me into all their benefices. I the said Gaufridus, etc., hold to warranty this concession, etc., to the said

church, etc. I have confirmed the present writing by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Martinus de Fissacre; 2 Durandus son of Ricardus; 3 Iordanus de Wanfort; 4 Nicholaus de Ya; 5 Wido de Wasseburna; 6 Radulfus de Beaumes; 7 Ricardus de Exonia, and many others.

Appended parchment tag, but no seal.

1249. 13 June. At Exeter a case was heard between Richard son of Iohn and Ioan his wife plaintiffs and Richard de la Ya tenant as to a ploughland in La Bere (North Bear in Clawton suggested). (*Feet of Fines*, D511.)

The river Aa is in Gröningen, North Holland, if the origin of name.

Tot. Pr. Deed lvii.

I Rodbertus de Punchard(un) have given and conceded to the church of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there for the souls of my ancestors and for the soundness of my heirs and for the building of a chapel at Galmatun and for the service of two officials celebrating annually in the aforesaid chapel namely on these days, on the birth of the Lord, on the Epiphany, on the day of the Purification of Mary, on the first Sunday of the Quadragesima, on the day of the Annunciation to Mary, on Easter-day, on the day of Pentecost, on the day of Saint John the Baptist and on All Saints' day in perpetual gift one furlong of land in Pudesdun which Edewinus Rubba had held to be in the mesuage (spelt "*masagio*") of the same furlong. To hold and to have for the love of God, etc., and if the aforesaid chaplain for any just and reasonable cause cannot celebrate on the aforesaid days, at my request he will fulfil the defect on other days. I have confirmed the present page by appending my seal.

I the aforesaid R———by the grace of God Abbat of Saint Sergius Andagavis seeing this to be a true agreement with the consent of our brethren have corroborated with the seal of the chapter of our Abbey and with the seal of the Prior and Priory of Tottonia.

Witnessed by:

1 Magister Iohannes; 2 Iohannes the sacristan; 3 Iohannes the deacon; 4 Thomas the sacristan of Tewardreus; 5 Stephanus the clerk; 6 Benedictus the clerk; 7 Martinus de Coletuna, and many others.

The fact that no tag or seal is appended or appears ever to have been attached suggests this to be a copy. The letters CYROGRAFUM inverted and cut through at top of Deed confirm this.

1198. 4th October. At Exeter Hawisa Par appeared as plaintiff against Robert de Punchardun, tenant; as to a plea of dower. Robert granted to

Hawisa as in dower 8 ferlings of land with common of pasture in Galmetun to wit 2 ferlings by la Wike and 2 ferlings in Holecumbe, each of those in Holecumbe measuring 32 acres and 4 ferlings of land in the township of Galmetun with the men dwelling on them, namely Walter de la Bara and Robert Halvwe and William Raunde and Osbert son of Edmund and 10 acres of wood by Holecumbe and after the decease of Hawise the said land shall revert to the said Robert and to his heirs (*Feet of Fines*, D. 22).

1199. At Exeter Martin de Filacre (probably Fishacre) appeared as plaintiff against Robert de Punchardon tenant, as to 40 acres of land by the measure of a perch of 18 feet in Galmeton. Martin quit claimed to Robert 24 out of the 40 acres of land for ever. For this Robert granted to Martin for his service 16 acres by the same measure out of the said 40 acres namely those 16 acres which lie next to Tokeberg on the south side directly stretching from the bound of Wadenton (Watton in Stoke Gabriel) as far as the bound of Godrington (Goodrington) rendering therefor yearly at the feast of S. Michael a certain gilt spur or 6*d.* for all service. (*Feet of Fines*, D. 30).

1214. The widow of Roger de Punchardun plaintiff appeared against William de Punchardun tenant as to the township of Hainton (Heanton Punchardun) (*Feet of Fines*, D. 65).

7. Martinus de Coletuna seems to confirm the above evidence that Galmpton on the Dart is the property referred to, as this individual or his immediate descendant took his name from Coleton in the parish of Brixham (*Tot. Pr. Deed* lxxxi, also *Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xliii, fo. 165).

Edewinus Rubba. There is no such Saxon form of the name as Rubba, it is probably therefore a mistake by the scribe for Rudda.

Tot. Pr. Deed lix.

I Gilbertus and Matilda my wife daughter of Blakeman for the safety of our souls and of our fathers and mothers and for the soul of Thomas our son and of our ancestors have conceded and given to God and the Blessed Mary of Toton and to the monks serving God there all our land with a house namely that which is between the house of Iohannes formerly deacon and the house of Galfridus Faci. So that we must hold the aforesaid tenement in which we have lived from God the Blessed Mary and the aforesaid monks by payment annually of six *denarii* save by right of the lord of the land. After our decease the aforesaid tenement shall revert to God the Blessed Mary and the aforesaid monks in perpetuity. For this our concession and gift Iohannes then Prior of Totonia has granted us general benefice of the church of the holy martyrs

Sergius and Bachus Andegavensis and of all cells belonging to the aforesaid church. And moreover after our death the aforesaid Prior and Convent for the safety of our souls has granted us from all priests two masses with psalms and prayers by clerks and laymen according to the custom of our church. That our concession and gift may remain ratified we have reckoned worthy to corroborate the same by appending our seal and the seal of the town of Tottonia.

Witnessed by:

1 Rogerus de Ylesham; 2 Marcus then provost of Toton; 3 Umfredus the smith; 4 Hemericus the smith; 5 Willelmus de Ponte; 6 Willelmus de Salapton; 7 Willelmus Bonus; 8 Petrus de Fonte the clerk; 9 Walterus de Wike; 10 Ricardus de Streta; 11 Walterus Alewi; 12 Michael the clerk, and many others.

Appended two seals in white wax.

First seal oval, about two inches in length, by one and a half inches, central device, a very crude representation of tree with curled branches, probably six on either side, the inscription round is quite undecipherable.

Second seal just shows the device to be that of a horseman facing sinister rather smaller than the design of the Nunants, this seal is much broken.

2. It is impossible to identify positively this Marcus with Mark or Markerus Burger provost in 1216, as it may refer to one of the many other early inhabitants of this name.

Tot. Pr. Deed lviii.

I Robertus Burgens son of Aliwardus Burgens and my heirs have granted and quit claimed in perpetuity to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there all our right which we have had or can have in that house of Tottonia which Edechill' my carpenter (*matertera mea*) held with its appurtenances namely that which is situated opposite (*contra*) the gate of the aforesaid monks between the house which Matillida Choyt held and the house which Ricardus de Karswill held and the whole right which we have had or can have in that house which is situated near the chapel of the Blessed Nicholaus in Tottonia that is to say next to the said chapel on the eastern side. And it is understood that I Robertus Burgens and my heirs hold to warranty the said houses to the said Prior and monks. For this concession and quit-claim Iohannes then Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place has given us fourteen *solidos* sterling hand money. We have corroborated the present writing by the addition of our seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus then vicar of Tottonia; 2 lord Ricardus Ballard; 3 Robertus the smith then at that time provost of Tottonia; 4 Willelmus le Bon; 5 Robertus le Bastard; 6 Ricardus de Clauton; 7 Ricardus Stile; 8 Ricardus Infans (the mute), and many others.

Parchment tag is appended but seal is lost.

Tot. Pr. Deed lx.

I Sarra daughter of Stephanus de Mortone taking heed of holy piety and for the safety of my soul and for the soul of Stephanus my father and Beatrice my mother and Gaufridus Dagulf my husband and of my ancestors successors and benefactors have given, etc., to God and Saint Mary of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there, etc., the orchard which is between the land of Hugo and between the land of Marcus junior with its belongings just as the public way leads from the orchard of Hugo as far as the land of Willelmus Gaidulf and descending as far as the ford and descending from the ford as far as the end of the land of Marcus junior. And two acres of land called Walcrot which are situated between the causeway (*cavam viam*) and the castle. And one acre of land which is between the public way which leads to Foletone and the land which Marcus Ruffus held. And two acres and a half which (lie) between the spring called Hellewille and the public way and the land of the fee of Robertus Brodehe on the one side and the land of the fee of Marcus Ruffus on the other side. And three acres of land which lie near the land which is of the fee of Marcus Ruffus. And one acre called Vinea which is between the garden of Willelmus Gaidulf and the bank of the stream after the death of Osmundus Faber. And one pound of cumin (*cimini*) which Gaufridus son of Marcus Ruffus and his heirs have undertaken annually to render from the orchard which is between the garden of Willelmus Gaidulf and the meadow of Walterus Bonus. And one pound of wax from the house of the fee of Fulco my grandfather for making a wax taper annually on the Assumption of Saint Mary. And the same house with orchard after the death of Aliz daughter of Fulco if she dies without heirs born of her flesh. These aforesaid lands and rents I have given to God and to Saint Mary and to the said monks to hold and to have, etc., free from any secular exaction. For this gift Iohannes then Prior of Tottonia, etc., has granted me common benefice of the Abbey of Saints Sergius and Bachus Andegavensis and of all cells belonging to the same that is to say in masses in psalms in vigils in fasts and in other benefices done in the aforesaid Abbey as much as for a professed monk and my name to be

written in the martyrology for the remembrance of my anniversary. I have confirmed the present writing by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus Flandrensi (of Flanders or the Fleming); 2 Mattheus de Morcell'; 3 Ricardus Bass'; 4 Henricus de Wicha monks—; 5 Thomas de Chent; 6 Walterus de Storlatone; 7 Gaufridus de Michamora; 8 Michael clerks—; 9 Willelmus Flagg; 10 Ricardus Stile then *provosts* (this is in the plural as if both Willelmus Flagg and Ricardus Stile were provosts, but is probably a clerical error); 11 Rogerus de Hylesham; 12 Hunfredus the smith; 13 Hemerus the smith; 14 Gaufridus Malechoc; 15 Hugo son of Simon; 16 Stephanus the smith; 17 Gaufridus Halewi; 18 Marcus Burgun'; 19 Ricardus Tanchard; 20 Egidius Ianitor; 21 Radulfus Chocho; 22 Radulfus the gardener (*gardinario*) and many others in the Guildhall (*in Gihalla*) of Tottonia.

Round seal about one and five-eighths inches in diameter of green wax, a very good impression; central device, eight foliated star, inscription round reading SIGILL. SARRE. DE. MORT(UN)A.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxi.

I Walterus Bonus with consent of my heirs have given, etc., to God and the church of the Blessed Mary of Totton and to the monks serving God there that mesuage which is next without the gate of the monks with its appurtenances for the soul of my father and mother and of Mahaut my wife and of my other ancestors on condition that the aforesaid Walterus and his wife aforenamed are received as brethren and spirits in their martyrology. And every year on their anniversary they must hold a full service for their souls just as for other brethren in their convent. I indeed and my heirs must warranty the aforesaid mesuage to the aforesaid monks, etc., except by service to the lord of Tottonia.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus the clerk; 2 David Kitel; 3 Stephanus de Fonte; 4 Vivianus then servant of Henricus filius Comitis; 5 Rogerus de Ylesham; 6 Adam de Stanton then constable (*cunesitabulus*); 7 Humfredus the smith; 8 Rainfredus; 9 Guillelmus d'Asberton; 10 Willelmus Bonus; 11 Nicholaus fokewnii; 12 Rodbertus Bastard then provost and many others.

Appended oval seal two inches by one and a quarter inches of white wax. Central figure of knight or esquire on foot, with right hand upraised, probably grasping sword—inscription very indistinct, but possibly SIGILL. WALTERII. DE. BONI.

12. Bastard. The seat of this family for centuries was at Gerston, in the parish of West Alvington. The name does not occur among the old deeds preserved at Kingsbridge Church (according to Mr. W. Davies, *D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. V, fo. 107). Risdon says the family of Le Bastard came into the inheritance of Ulliliston (now known as Woolston) in the reign of Henry III.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxii.

Iohannes prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place eternal greeting in the Lord. We have given, etc., to Thomas le Fader a mesuage in the ville of Tottonia namely that which is between the east gate and the tenement which Roelia our laundress (*lotrix nostra*) held of us. To hold and have to the said Thomas, etc., whilst paying annually to us two *solidi* of silver at the three terms of the year namely at the feast of Saint Michael six *denarii* at Easter six *denarii* and at the festival of Saint John the Baptist twelve *denarii* for everything save that belonging to the service of the lord of Tottonia. For this gift, etc., the said Thomas has given us one *sexta* of wine in recognition whilst we hold to warranty the said mesuage to the said Thomas le Fader, etc. We have placed our seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Nicholaus de la Ya; 2 Robertus Niger the smith; 3 Ricardus Stile; 4 Hemericus the smith; 5 Willelmus de Fonte; 6 Iohannes Kuillebole; 7 Ricardus de Clauton; 8 Ricardus Albus; 9 Nicholaus de Dunelm, and many others.

Appended parchment tag shows traces of seal having been affixed.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxiii.

I Willelmus de Punchardun son of Robertus de Punchardun have confirmed the gift which Robertus de Punchardun my father has given to God and the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia according to the charter of my father Robertus namely five *solidi* annually received at the festival of Saint Michael from two furlongs of land in Pudesdun which Walterus de Pudesdun son of Wilwardus held on condition that Walterus himself or whoever shall hold the said furlongs of land for the time being pays five *solidi* to the said church at the aforesaid term. I have concurred by appending my seal to the present writing and for greater security in the Chapter-house of Tottonia before Iohannes then at that time Prior and the Convent and even others with many religious feelings have taken the oath of the gospel that I will not revert the aforesaid gift of my father.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Buzun; 2 Robertus Buzun; 3 Robertus de Morcelles; 4 Martinus de Fisacre; 5 Rogerus de Wike; 6 Radulfus de Punchardun; 7 Markerus Burgensi; 8 Ricardus Croke; 9 Robertus Bastard; 10 Tancardus; 11 Michael the chaplain; 12 Gilbertus the mimic (*imitor*); 13 Ricardus de Exonia clerk, and many others.

Small woven cord of two colours appended, but no seal remains attached.

At Exeter, 12th November 1256, William de Punchardun and Ermegarda his wife appear as defendants against Roger son of Pagan and Matilda his wife claimants as to the manor of Chiriton (Cheriton Fitzpaine) and the advowson of the church of the same township (*Feet of Fines*, D. 564).

1. A William Buzun held Bigbury and Houghton in 1243 (*Testa de Nevil*, 1311, p. 193b).

6. A Ralph de Punchardun occurs as claimant at Exeter, 13th June, 1249, in a case against Robert Buszun. As to a complaint of the said Ralph that Robert wrongfully took his cattle and distrained him for the service of one knight's fee in respect of tenements which the said Ralph held of Adam de Fenton, as middle lord on the day this agreement was made, to wit, as to one quarter knight's fee in Kingeston (possibly Kingston, in Bigbury) (*Feet of Fines*, D. 471).

Tot. Pr. Deed lxiv. *post* 1214. *ante* 1225.

Brother A . . . Prior of Plimtonia and the Convent of the same place greeting eternal in the Lord. Be it known that we undertake to pay to the church of the Blessed Mary of Totonia and to the monks serving God there half a marc annually within the octave after the feast of Saint Peter-in-chains to any representative at this place at Plintonne for all tithes which belong to them in the parish of the church of the Blessed Mary of Binnebiri namely half of all tithes of the domains of Raddon and Thrichchelton which by common assent and counsel of their Chapter and of brother Fromund Prior of Tungni and of brother Iohannes then at that time visitors of their houses in England, they have granted and conferred as their charter witnesses to have and possess in perpetuity. That if the aforesaid half marc is not paid at the aforesaid term they are licensed by their own authority to take possession of the aforesaid tithes. In witness of this thing is appended the seal of the Chapter of the church of Saint Peter of Exeter together with our seals to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Hugo chaplain of the lord bishop; 2 Willelmus de Besiniato;

3 Phillipus parson of Niwet(on); 4 Robertus de Pruteston; 5 Himelin chaplain of Sutton; 6 Ricardus Maricep, and many others.

Appended lower half of large oval seal in red wax, probably two inches by one and a half inches, showing what appear to be the robes of two full length figures. Also the sinister half of a smaller, probably round, seal; central device, small head facing sinister.

This Deed refers to the parish of Marystow (see pp. 12 and 13).

Anthony, Prior of the Priory of SS. Peter and Paul, Plympton, occurs in 1214, in which year he granted Exminster church, dedicated to St. Martin, to Walter de Bisiman, clerk, for 5 marcs in the name of pension. The seal appended to the Deed bears the figures of SS. Peter and Paul. (Oliver *Mon. Dioc. Exon.* fo. 131.) This is probably the impression of which we have only the lower half, and gives a clue in Prior A . . . (probably identical with Anthony) to the approximate date of the Deed, namely, post 1214. It would also be prior to 1225, when the office of Dean was created.

1. Hugo. This witness is not mentioned in Oliver's *Lives of Bishops of Exeter*, nor is there any prelate in the *Monasticon Diocesis Exoniensis* with whom he can be identified.

2. Willelmus de Besiniato. This cannot be the first Sub-Dean, Willelmus de Bisiman, created 12 June, 1284, or Willelmus de Bismario, Treasurer in 1287-8. A W. de Bysena made agreement with Torre Abbey concerning North Shillingford (*Cart. Thorre Abb.* fo. 24b) and a Willelmus de Bysiniano or Bysinia, rector of Exminster had a controversy with the same house in 1235. (*ibidem* fo. 73a).

3. This witness was doubtless vicar of one of the Newtons, but which, it is impossible to conjecture.

5. Himelin would be the chaplain appointed by Plympton Priory to their hamlet Sutton (the South town, now Plymouth).

The following and subsequent Deeds marked Black Hall Collectanea, only came to the knowledge of the author after the first part of the work had gone to press, and, through the kindness of Mrs. E. P. Cornish-Bowden of Black Hall, the following interesting Deeds of Rogerius (II) de Nonant and of his son and subsequent heir, Henricus, are here entered. Apart from being an additional hitherto unrecorded grant to Totnes Priory, great interest is attached to these two documents, as they point indubitably to the fact that Wido was the eldest son and heir of Rogerus (II) and the lady Aliz; Henricus being noted as *their son*, whereas the following deed is

by Henricus *their heir*. Deeds i, ii and iii are tied together as referring to the same property, and in this and other cases, if Wido had not predeceased his father, his confirmatory Deeds would intervene, whereas we have no document issued in the name of this Wido de Nonant. The very unexpected discovery of these Black Hall Deeds encourages the hope that somewhere may yet be found a direct reference to the death of Wido, an occasion which would almost sure to be marked by some gift to the Priory or Mother Church.

Black Hall Collectanea, No. 1.

I Rogerius de Nunant for my soul and for the souls of my father and mother and for the soul of the lady Aliz my wife and for the souls of our children have given to the church of Saint Mary of Totonia and to the monks serving God there the mill of Hurbunetona to hold in perpetual gift with the right of grinding (*cum molatura*), etc., just as I have formerly held. This gift my wife the lady Aliz has agreed to and Wido de Nunant my heir and Henricus de Nunant my son. I have given this the above mentioned mill to the aforesaid monks for the repair of their dormitory which in fear of death they have wished to do (*pro reconpensatione dormitorii eorum quod metu* (?) *mortis facere vovi facta*).

This gift before these witnesses:

1 Wido de Bocheland then dapifer; 2 Iohannes clericus; 3 Iordanus de Hode; 4 Gillelmus de Baumeis; 5 Paganus Crochart; 6 Robertus famulus; 7 Martinus; 8 Gillelmus de Wdetuna; 9 Robertus nepos; 10 Garinus capellanus, and many others (*quos longum est hic singulatim NOMINARE*).

On reverse: "Concerning the mill of Hurburtune"

Appended on tag the seal in white wax of Rogerius de Nonant, a horseman facing sinister; only the centre part remains.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxv.

I Alicia de Revers daughter of Count Baldwin have given for the love of God and for the souls of my ancestors and for the soundness of my heirs to the secretary (*secretario*) of the church of Totonia by the advice and with the assent of my son and heir Henricus five *solidi* from my marriage portion in the manor of Silfertun that is to say in Cumba which is near and adjoining the land of the church of Silfertun which Savarius formerly had possessed. The aforesaid secretary to receive the rent at two terms namely on the day of the Assumption of Saint Mary two *solidi* and six *denarii* and at Easter two *solidi* and six *denarii* on condition that the said secretary at the celebration of the morning masses of the Blessed Mary shall for ever find two wax tapers suitable for the devout work. I have ratified the present writing with my seal. If any of my heirs may have

willed to oppose this page of my gift they will incur God's displeasure and mine.

Witnessed by:

1 Rogerus de Nonant; 2 Ricardus de Nonant; 3 Willelmus de Rengi; 4 Willelmus de Bonavilla; 5 Robertus Blunt; 6 Nicholaus de Grenechilc; 7 Savarius Famulus (the waiting man); 8 Galterus the provost; 9 Edwardus then esquire of Ricardus de Nonant, and many others.

Oval green seal appended to white and green woven braid. The seal has had impression on one side only, the back being rounded, but the device is quite obliterated.

The Count Baldwin is probably Baldwin de Rivers, 1st Earl of Devon son of Richard Rivers or Redvers. The wives of both father and son were named Adeliza (see p. 25).

It is curious that the deed gives no hint as to who the husband of Alicia de Revers was, unless it was Rogerus de Nonant, first witness to the deed. As the wife of Rogerus (II) de Nonant we know was named Adeliz, Aeliz, Adelicia or Alicia, and their second son and eventual heir was Henricus de Nonant, who for some reason does not witness the deed, there is some justification for accepting this suggestion. The custom for a wife, if of noble family, to retain her family name was prevalent at this time; a similar instance occurs in the case of Adelesia de Nonant (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xxi, pp. 58 and 59) and the wife of William Brewer, founder of Torre Abbey, was always known as Beatrice de Vallibus.

As in 1227 Roger III de Nonaunt held the manors of Herberton (Harberton), Silfreton (*Silverton*) and Budeford (Bridford) by gift of his brother Henry de Nonaunt (*Feet of Fines*, C. and D. 240), which same manors Henry inherited from his parents Rogerus II and Adeliz, there seems no reason to doubt that the wife of Rogerus II de Nonant was the Alicia de Revers of the above Deed lxv.

2. The relationship of this witness to the direct line of the family of de Nonant is nowhere explained. He occurs in Totnes Priory Deed, xx, p. 56, as fifteenth and in Totnes Priory Deed xxviii, p. 97, as tenth witness. In the above deed from the presence of his esquire he is probably an older man than Rogerus (III) although placed after him, and in the following Deeds lxvi and lxvii by Henricus de Nonant, his wife Isabel is followed by his brother Rogerus, but the third witness Ricardus de Nonant is in no way described, and if a younger brother, would have been so mentioned together with Rogerus. Failing other evidence the seven occasions on which he occurs, suggest that he may have been a

cousin of Henricus and Rogerus (III), perhaps son of Willelmus, brother of Rogerius (II) de Nonant.

Black Hall Collectanea, No. 2.

To all, etc., Henricus de Nonant greeting. Be it known that I have confirmed to God and the Church of the Blessed Marie de Tottonia and to the monks serving God there for the safety of my soul and of my father and of my mother and of my ancestors the mill of Hurburtune with the right of grinding (*cum molatura*) of the same manor which Rogerus my father gave them. We grant also to the monks license to remove the aforesaid mill if they see fit on to our land near the site of the aforesaid mill within ten perches (*decem perchias*) in length near the water and four in width and free entry and exit going and returning on foot and horseback with corn and grain and building timber (*meremo*) and with all other things they require through our land to the aforesaid mill. And I have confirmed this writing with my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Baucain at that time seneschal; 2 Willelmus de Remgi; 3 Willelmus Crockar; 4 Iohannes the deacon; 5 Willelmus Daco; 6 Rogerus Niger and many others.

On reverse, "Concerning the mill of Hurberton."

Appended seal of H. de Nonant in pink coloured wax, showing horseman facing sinister, right hand extended behind with sword uplifted. The same coloured wax is used for seal appended to Totnes Priory Deed xii, but the figures of horse and man although in similar position vary slightly in contour.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxvii.

I Henricus de Nonant for the cure of my soul and remission of my sins and for the safety of the soul of my wife Isbel de Bolebec and for the souls of my father and mother and of all my ancestors have granted, etc., to the church of Saint Mary of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there all the gifts, etc., of my ancestors confirmed to the same church in churches tithes lands and rents from mills waters woods and meadows pasture lands roads and footpaths with all liberties belonging to the aforesaid church named and not named. I wish also and grant that the Prior of Tottonia whoever for the time being shall be as Prior shall have and hold his court of his men and tenements, etc., just as I or any of my ancestors have held, etc. I have confirmed my charter by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Isabel de Bolebec my wife; 2 Rogerus de Nonant my brother; 3 Ricardus de Nonant; 4 Robertus filius Herberti; 5 Willelmus Baucain; 6 Willelmus de Regni; 7 Benedictus the clerk; 8 Iohannes deacon of Tottonia; 9 Ricardus the chaplain; 10 Joce (Joseph?) the chaplain; 11 Magister Ysaac; 12 Paganus Crochart; 13 Wido Croc; 14 Willelmus Croc; 15 Willelmus Daco; 16 Rogerus de Ilesham; 17 Gauterus Bon; 18 Gaufridus de London; 19 Iohannes de Fonte, and many others.

Appended on green silk woven cord the seal, on white wax, of Henricus de Nonant similar to Deed lxx.

From the nature of this deed it is probably the confirmation of their property granted to the monks of Totnes on the succession of Henricus de Nonant to his father's estate, and therefore should take first place among the deeds bearing his name.

11. Magister Ysaac, Archdeacon of Totnes, witnesses letter by Serlo, Dean of Exeter to Thorre Abbey, *circa* 1226 (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 130*b*). A Magister Ysaac witnessed Totnes Priory Deeds lxvii, lxix and lxxxi. A fellow witness to Deed lxxxi, is Gilbertus, Archdeacon of Tottonia; the fact that on none of the three occasions is he recorded as Archdeacon suggests that the individuals are not identical, as Deed lxxxi is probably of some date between 1258 and 1263.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxvi.

I Henricus de Nonant for the cure of my soul and the remission of my sins and for the safety of the soul of my wife Isabel de Bolebec and for the souls of my father and mother and of all my ancestors have conceded in perpetual gift to the church of Saint Mary of Totonia and to the monks serving God there five *solidi* in my manor of Clist to be paid annually at the festival of Saint Michael the same which Ancilla the revealed of God (*Dei reclusa*) had in the aforesaid manor and which Rogerus de Nonant my father gave to the same monks for the cure of his soul. I have confirmed this my concession and the gift of my father by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Isabel de Bolebec my wife; 2 Rogerus de Nonant my brother; 3 Ricardus de Nonant; 4 Robertus filius Herberti; 5 Willelmus Baucen; 6 Willelmus de Regni; 7 Guido Croc; 8 Willelmus Croc; 9 Paganus Chrochart; 10 Willelmus Daco; 11 Rogerus Niger; 12 Rogerus de Yleshame; 13 Gauterus Bon; 14 Gaufridus de London; 15 Iohannes de Fonte, and many others.

Appended to parchment tag, round seal of green wax about 2 inches in diameter, horseman facing sinister with sword in right hand; inscription, SIGILL . HENRI . . . ANT.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxviii.

I H(enricus) de Nunant have given and conceded to God and to the church of Saint Mary of Totonia and to the monks serving God there for the love of God in perpetual and pure gift the tithe of my mill of Totonia. To hold and to have, etc. I have ratified the present writing with my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Rogerus de Nonant; 2 Ricardus de Nonant; 3 Robertus filius Herberti; 4 Willelmus de Regma; 5 Ysabel de Bolebec my spouse; 6 Rogerus de Ylesham; 7 Willelmus Denes, and many others.

Appended on parchment tag the seal in green wax of H. de Nunant, as in Deeds lxx and lxxi.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxix.

I Henricus de Nonant for the cure of my soul and remission of my sins and for the safety of the soul of my wife Isabel de Bolebec and for the souls of my father and mother and of all my ancestors have granted, etc., to the church of Totonia and to the monks serving God there all gifts, etc., by charters of my ancestors confirming the same, etc. And I have confirmed this my present charter by witness and by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Isabel de Bolebec my wife; 2 Rogerus de Nonant my brother; 3 Ricardus de Nonant; 4 Robertus filius Herberti; 5 Willelmus Baucen; 6 Willelmus de Regni; 7 Benedictus the clerk; 8 Iohannes the deacon of Totonia; 9 Ricardus the chaplain; 10 Ioce the chaplain; 11 Magister Ysaac; 12 Paganus Chrochart; 13 Wido Croc; 14 Willelmus Croc; 15 Willelmus Daco; 16 Rogerus Niger; 17 Rogerus de Yleshame; 18 Gauterus Bon; 19 Gaufridus de London; 20 Iohannes de Fonte; 21 Marchus Ruffus, and many others.

Appended on green silk cord, similar to that attached to Deed lxxi, impression in green wax of the same seal of Henricus de Nonant as on Deeds lxx, lxxi and lxxii.

1224. 30th April, William Briwere was consecrated Bishop of Exeter at Canterbury by Cardinal Langton.

1225. On the 25th November, 1225, he created the office and elected the first Dean (Serlo) assigning to him the premises of the Archdeacon of Totnes in Exeter.

For nearly five years this Bishop was absent on Crusade with Peter de

Rupibus, Bishop of Winchester, and his absence from his diocese was still further prolonged by King Henry III selecting him to accompany his sister, Princess Isabella, to the court of the Emperor Frederick II, where
1235. their marriage took place on 20 July, 1235.

1238. 26th of August he was back in Cornwall, and about the same period appropriated the church of Okehampton to the Benedictine Priory of Cowick, near Exeter (Oliver's *Lives of Bishops of Exeter*, fo 36).

1244. 24th November, Bishop William Briwere died.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxx. 14th March, 1224.

Honorius Bishop servant of the servants of God to his beloved sons the Prior and Convent of Totton greeting and apostolic benediction, etc. We receive, etc., under the Blessed Peter's and our protection especially the chapels of Brichham, Clistun and Asprngum, etc. Dated Lateran II Nones of March in the eighth year of our pontificate.

The seal has unfortunately been detached, but a few strands of the red and yellow silk cord remain adhering to the parchment.

This Papal document doubtless belongs to the pontificate of Honorius III, 1216-1227, as Honorius II only occupied the see six years. The date is, therefore, 14th of March, 1224, only a fortnight after the consecration of Bishop William Briwere; perhaps the monks had some reason to fear whether their possession of the above churches would be confirmed by the new bishop of the diocese.

Tot. Pr. Deeds lxxi and lxxii in duplicate.

I Ricardus Rivel and Iohanna my wife give concede and by this my charter confirm to Thomas de Strete for his service a curtillage with its appurtenances in the south part of the ville of Tottonia which tenement is next between the tenement of the said Thomas and the garden (*ortum*) which belonged to Galfridus de Cottemore. To hold and to have, etc. Rendering annually to us and our heirs one pair of white gloves at Easter for all service except six *denarios* which they undertake annually to pay from the aforesaid curtillage to the Priory of Tottonia namely at Easter three *denarios* and at the festival of Saint Michael three *denarios*. For this gift, etc., the said Thomas de Strete has given us twenty nine *solidos* sterling in recognition between the four walls of the Guildhall of Tottonia whilst I the said Ricardus Rivel and Iohanna my wife undertake to warranty to the said Thomas, etc. And we have confirmed the present writing by the impression of our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus de Clauwetone then provost of Tottonia; 2 Robertus Niger

the smith; 3 Ricardus Russel; 4 Ricardus son of Adam (Albus)[1]; 5 Radulfus de Brews; 6 Ricardus Hunfr' (son of Hunfredus the smith)[2]; 7 Radulfus Page, and many others.

On reverse, "Concerning a curtillage in Tottonia."

Two seals have been appended, but are broken from the parchment tags.

The addition of a stroke under the first letter of "niger" and "page" was doubtless intended by the scribe to signify a capital letter.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxiii.

I Alicia who was the wife of Ricardus de Ponte in my legitimate widowhood for the safety of my body and soul have released and quit claimed to the Prior of Tottonia and Convent of the same place all the rent which the same Prior and Convent have to pay me annually from two furlongs of land with appurtenances in Yodelucstone (in accompanying Deed, Hydelvescum) namely certain white gloves at Easter for all service. And neither I nor my heirs can in future exact service. To this writing I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Radulfus de Bisecht then seneschal of Tottonia; 2 Ricardus de Clauton then provost; 3 Wido de Wasseburn: 4 Henricus de Tidtworthi; 5 Willelmus de Binneleghe; 6 Walterus Bonus; 7 Robertus de Clauton; 8 Robertus the smith; 9 Wido de Tottefenne, and many others.

On reverse, "Concerning three ferlings of land in Hydelston." "A grant and a release made by Alice the once the wiffe of Richarde Ponnte."

The latter endorsement is in English, written in a very German-like schrift; certainly of much later date. This handwriting is found on a good many of the deeds, and evidently records some supervision, possibly at the period of the dissolution of the monasteries.

Tag of parchment is appended, and has evidently at one time carried a small seal.

This Deed lxxiii is stitched to lxxiv, the latter probably the earlier document.

Tot. Mun. Deed I.

May the present and future know that we Petrus and Willelmus sons of Ricardus Hamelyn have given to Michael de Malleston and Florencia his wife a space (*unam aream*), etc., which lies between the tenement which Matilda and Gild' (Hilda?) Hamelyn held and the tenement which Galfridus Rogge formerly held which space is in length eight feet towards

1, 2, These particulars are from the duplicate Deed lxxii.

the street and from the street towards the moat of the castle and in width twenty seven feet. To hold and to have, etc., paying annually to the said Petrus, Willelmus and their heirs, etc., one pair of white gloves (*cyrotekarum*) at the Festival of the Lord's Nativity or one halfpenny for all services, etc. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Michael has given us twelve *solidi* sterling. Clause of warranty. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Thomas de Strete then provost of Totton'; 3 Iohannes de Fonte; 4 Robertus Tylia; 5 Iohannes Wade, and others.

Appended two seals. Oval seal of Willelmus Hamelin, enclosing fret. The round seal of Petrus Hamelin, enclosing four-petalled device.

Owing to the provost occurring second among the names of five witnesses this deed is inserted immediately after Totnes Priory Deed lxxiii, there being in these deeds nothing to suggest true chronological order.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxiv. **1228.**

I Alicia de Tottonia daughter of Warinus the chaplain of Bricsham have conceded and quit claimed to the Prior and Convent of Tottonia three ferlings of land in Hydelvescum which I the aforesaid Alicia claimed from the aforesaid Prior and Convent at the Bar of the lord King at Exonia before Robertus de Lexingtun, Thomas de Moletun, Radulfus Musard, and Iordanus Oliver[1] at that time Justices of the lord King in Devon, thus that is to say that the aforesaid Prior and Convent will pay to me and my heirs annually for the aforesaid land two white gloves at the Assumption of Saint Marie for all service, etc., due to me. I the aforesaid Alicia, etc., hold to warranty this quit-claim to the aforesaid Prior, etc. The aforesaid Prior and Convent for this concession have given me half a marc of silver in recognition. I have confirmed this writing by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Radulfus the chaplain; 2 Nicholaus de Ya; 3 Wido de Waisseburne; 4 Willelmus Norreis; 5 Markerus Burger; 6 Robertus Niger the smith; 7 Wido de Tottonia; 8 Ricardus de Clautun; 9 Ricardus de Exonia, and many others.

The parchment tag is appended, but the seal has been broken from it.

The names hitherto recovered of the Vicars of Brixham, up to the dissolution of the monasteries, are:

Warinus, chaplain, occurs in 1228.

1 These four justices sat at Exeter in June 1228. There is no record, either previous or subsequent to that date of the same four meeting together (See *Feet of Fines* Exeter 145-247.)

Peter Corbett, inst. 1290.

Sir William . . . , occurs 22nd August, 1308.

Sir Simon Stiria, priest, occurs 6th February, 1321-2.

Iohannes Gygge (possibly vicar) occurs 1349 (*Brixham Par. Deed* vii).

Sir John Wodeman, priest, inst. 12 June, 1353.

Sir Richard Holrygge, inst. 18th May, 1366, occurs 1374, 1383-84 and 1390-91, died 1416.

Walter Wadham, inst. 22nd of May, 1416, resigned 1428-9.

Sir John Abelle, chaplain, inst. 5th of March, 1428-9, occurs 1447, 1449 and 1459 (*Brixham Par. Deeds*).

Sir William Hille, chaplain, inst. 19th March, 1464-5, occurs 1473 (*Brixham Par. Deed* xxiv).

Iohannes Elwyll (possibly vicar) occurs 1487 (*Brixham Par. Deed* xxv).

Sir John Noseworthy, chaplain, inst. 7th May, 1491.

Master Robert Weston. Bachelor in both laws, inst. 20th November, 1523.

George Carewe, chaplain, inst. 10th November, 1528.

John Whiteheare, clerk, inst. 5th February, 1552.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxv. *post* 1224. *ante* 1239.

To the venerable brother in Christ W. . . . by the grace of God bishop of Exeter, W. . . . by the same grace bishop of Angers greeting with sincere salutation. Be it known that we have seen and diligently inspected the charter of the glorious martyr Thomas Archbishop of Canterbury confirmed by the authority of his seal and not the less the charter of Robert formerly bishop of Exeter confirmed by his seal liberally granting from his diocese to God and to the Abbey of Saint Sergius of Angers and to their priories established in England which is faithfully transcribed in the present for we have considered it worthy to be passed on word for word as contained in this form.

" T . . . by the grace of God archbishop of Canterbury and primate "
" of all England to his venerable brother and friend R . . . bishop of "
" Exeter greeting. May our beloved brotherhood know that the churches "
" of Brixeham and of Clist of Rogerius de Nonant with chapels and all "
" things belonging to them which thou hast granted and confirmed by your "
" charter to the monks of Saint Sergius of Angers serving in the church of "
" the Blessed Mary of Totoneis we concede and confirm the same and by the "
" authority of our letters have ratified your confirmation commanding that "
" they may possess the same in perpetual peace and quietude and that no "
" one shall dare molest or injure them."

" Be it known to futnre and present that I Robertus by the grace of God "
" bishop of Exeter have granted and confirmed to the church of Saint Mary "
" of Totoneis and to the monks of Saint Sergius serving God there in "
" increase of their means of living and for the sustenance of the religious "
" the church of Clistona of Rogerius de Nonant together with the chapels, "
" lands and all things belonging to the same church save what is due to our "
" right and by episcopal customs. On this condition that a priest must be "
" presented by the hand of the Prior of Totoneis to us and to our arch- "
" deacon who shall serve the same church honestly and honorably by our "
" advice and assent. They must also provide by our advice the same priest "
" from the same gift that he shall have food and clothing honestly and that "
" he shall be able to conform with episcopal customs and secular hospitality. "
" This has been drawn up in our common chapter-house in the year from "
" the incarnation of the Lord 1149. King Stephan (1135-1154) then reigning "
" in England. Archbishop Teobaldus then occupying the metropolitan see. "
" At the request and with the consent of Rogerius de Nonant of whose fief "
" the same church was. And that this may remain ratified and unassailable "
" in perpetuity we have witnessed the present writing and corroborated "
" with our seal."
" Witnessed by: "
" 1 Gaufridus Prior of Plimtonia; 2 Willelmus Prior of Moncbiria; "
" 3 Walterus, 4 Willelmus 5 Hugo, 6 Radulfus, archdeacons; 7 Alwredus, "
" 8 Bricius, 9 Petrus, canons; 10 Magister Benedictus; 11 Richardus son "
" of Reinfredus; 12 W de Cuhie; 13 Robertus Dacur."
" This was done in the time of Walterius, Prior of Totoneis."

Of your brotherhood in the Lord we pray as much as by the form of the present writing you may admit undoubted faith since it might be perilous to have transmitted the said sealed charters to the said Abbey on account of misfortune of something befalling and that we should render ourselves certain on this account at the request of the Abbat and Convent of Saint Sergius of Angers we have caused the present letters to be ratified by the strength of our seal in testimony of the truth.

There were three Bishops of Angers in the XIII century of the name Willelmus (*Gallia Christiana*, Vol. xiv p. 576)

Willelmus (de Chemille), Bishop of Angers 1197-1202.

Willelmus (de Beaumont), Bishop of Angers 1203-1239.

Willelmus (le Maine), Bishop of Angers 1293-1314.

Of the two Bishops W. of Exeter.

Willelmus Bruere, Bishop of Exeter 1224-1244.

Walter de Bronescombe, Bishop of Exeter 1258-1280.

The latter was not coeval with any of the above Bishops of Angers, and therefore there can be no doubt that the above letter is addressed by Willelmus de Beaumont, Bishop of Angers to Willelmus Bruere, Bishop of Exeter, between the years 1224 and 1239.

Fortunately one of the original charters cited has been preserved with the rest of the Priory Deeds, *i.e.* the charter of Archbishop T . . . A charter of Robert (Chichester, 1138-1155) dated 1143 is printed on page 50 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xvi). But this charter is the confirmation of the churches of Brixham, Churston and Ashprington, whereas the deed cited above is dated six years later, *i.e.* in 1149, and confirms the gift of the church of Clistona only. This particular Clist was known as Clistone-Nonant (13th November, 1314, *Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 197) and is identified as Broadclyst by the Rev. Hingeston-Randolph. This latter confirmation is missing from among the Totnes Priory Deeds, but the citation in this inspeximus is, perhaps, of double value; firstly, it corrects the date ascribed to Archbishop Theobald's deed, which should be rather 1149 than 1143, as suggested (p. 52), and secondly, it records a considerable gift without any assigned reason, some fifteen years after the accession of Roger II de Nonant to the estate (*circa* 1134). It was not the occasion of his eldest son Wido's death, as he was alive in 1161 (see page 56), it may have been as a thank-offering for his safe return from pilgrimage (see p 44).

In the case of the Archbishop's charter cited, a curious mistake has been made; the initial letter T . . Archbishop of Canterbnry was mistaken by Abbat Willelmus for Thomas (à Beckett) the Martyr, whereas it was really Theobald, Archbishop (1139-1162), Beckett being Primate from 1162, to 29th December, 1170, and therefore not a contemporary of Bishop Robert Chichester. A facsimile of Archbishop Theobald's charter with seal is reproduced, and the abstract follows Robert Chichester's charter on page 52 (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xvii). It is curious that in less than a century the monks had forgotten the donor of the deed; the murder and canonisation of Beckett intervening had completely usurped the memory of Archbishop Theobald, and there is certainly nothing in the Archbishop's Deed to help their memories, except Bishop R . . . . , who could only have been Robert Chichester, and who was not a contemporary of Beckett, but of Theobald. This correction is in part confirmed by the mention of Archbishop Teobaldus in the citation of 1149.

2. This mention of a Prior of Moncbiria is of interest because it refers to the only other sister cell of Totnes Priory, besides Tywardreath, in this

country, offshoots of the Benedictine Abbey of Angiers, namely the Priory of Monks Kirkby, Warwickshire, founded in 1077 by Gosfred de Wirchia.

Bishop Tanner (*Notitia Monastica*, fo. 569) says this house was dedicated to St. Nicholas, but wrongly assigns the mother Abbey to this Saint. The reason why we hear so little of this foundation in connection with the sister houses, is probably because in 1396-7, after many seizures as an alien Priory, it was transferred by the sanction of King Richard II to the Carthusian Priory of Axholm near Epworth in Lincolnshire, to which it was finally annexed in 3 Henry V (1415) after it had been restored for a short time to the Abbey of Angiers in the reign of Henry IV. The termination "biria" applied to the name in this case may be in reference to "Wapenbury," which, with "Copston," were the two original villes granted for the foundation. They subsequently owned the churches of Kirkby Monachorum, Landeford and Newbold on Avon, as well as many other rights.

9. Canon Petrus was probably one of the two brothers Peter and Philip of Bishop Robert Chichester (Oliver, *Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 17)

11. Richardus filius Reinfredi. A canon of this name occurs in 1155, and again as Magister in 1164 (*Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 18 and 27) but must be an earlier member of the family Fitz-Reinfred.

Cart. Thorre Abb., (Dublin fo. 26a).

In the index of what once formed the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey in the early part of the 13th century is recorded as Deed ccxv "Carta Prioris et Conventus Tottonie." This deed with others, numbered from ccxi to ccxx, are entered under the heading "de terra de Kingeswere." These deeds are all missing from the original Cartulary (in Trinity College, Dublin), but are fortunately preserved in the Exchequer copy (Record Office) from which it may be surmised that the particular deed referred to is that on 71*d* of the Exchequer Cartulary.

(Exchequer fo. 71d).

Charter of the Prior and Convent of Totton.

To all, etc., the Prior of Tottonia and Convent of the same place greeting. Be it known that we have granted, etc., to God and to the church of the Holy Saviour of Torre, and to the Canons, etc., all the land which Osbertus Franciscus held of us namely one acre of land in Kyngeswere lying from the road which ascends from Kite torre in length as far as the tenement of Alanus de Kyngeswere, and in width as far as the sea and half an acre in Uppetone. To hold and to have, etc. Paying annually to the Priory of Totton from the aforesaid acre in Kyngeswere 8 *denarii* at the Festival of Saint Michael and from the half acre in

Uppetone six *denarii* at the same term for all service, etc. Clause of warranty follows.

This may be the original agreement, and the next, Totnes Priory Deed lxxvi, a renewal of the lease on the accession of Abbat Laurentius.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxvi.

To all the faithful of Christ seeing or hearing the present writing Laurentius by the grace of God Abbat of Thorre and the Convent of the same place eternal greeting in the Lord.

Be it known that we have undertaken to pay to the Priory of Tottonia fourteen *denarii* annually at the festival of Saint Michael namely from one acre of land in Kyngeswere eight *denarii* at the said term in perpetuity and from half an acre of land in Upptone six *denarii* at the same term in perpetuity. If indeed we should cease to pay the said fourteen *denarii* at the aforesaid term the Prior of Tottonia whoever for the time being he might be is licensed by the goods which may be found on the same tenements to compel payment. In witness of which thing we have appended our seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Brother Ricardus canon; 2 Brother Thomas convert (*converso*); 3 Magister Rogerus de Thorre; 4 Martinus de Fisacre; 5 Walterus vicar of Totonia; 6 Radulfus de Bisech then seneschal of Totonia; 7 Wydo de Wasseburne; 8 Ricardus de Clautone, and many others.

Appended to a parchment tag on which is written "Sigillum Laurencii Dei gratia Abbas de Torre, etc.," are the broken fragments of a small green wax seal.

Abbat Laurencius occurs in the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey, between the years 1231-1247.

Ex. Mun. Deed No. 619. 1234.

29 September. Robert le Bucor son of Roger le Bucor and William Walensis. Convention by which the said Robert pawns to said William three acres of land viz. two acres near the Totnes road and one near the moor for 8/8 which said William paid to the Jews for said Robert.

Seal a heart "Sigill Roberti le Bucer."

Witnessed by:

1 Rogero Hidena; 2 Ricardo clerico coterariis; 3 Hunfrido pisscatore; 4 Rand(olph)o de Bossca; 5 Nicholao Belebuch; 6 Rogero Bucor; 7 Iohanne Bucor; 8 Iohanne clerico et aliis.

"Et Willelmus debet acquietare dictas acras de reg. ali. servicio."

1236. Walter (de Ralega) the Sheriff of Devon accounts for 100*s*. from the

Prior of Totnes. This is equal to the levy on Plymton Priory, and five times as much as from the Priories of Pilton and S. James, Exeter (*Pipe Roll*, Henry II, p. 195*b*).

1235-6. An agreement, made between the Abbat and Convent of Buckfastleigh and the Burgesses of Tottonia in 20 Henry III (1235 not 1225, see p. 70) by which the monks are received into the Guild of merchants on a yearly payment of 22*d*. on the Saturday before Christmas, for all tallage.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 73b. *ibidem* fo. 103b, 1237. Thomas, Archdeacon of Totnes subscribes a letter of R. Bishop of Salisbury.

Thomas, Archdeacon of Totnes witnesses the grant of Asseclyst prebend to Thorre Abbey by Robert de Curtenay.

This Archdeacon was named Thomas Pincerna and witnessed a deed by Bp. William Brewer, dated 3rd December, 1242, as Thomas le Butteler (*Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 291). On 5th June, 1244, the same Archdeacon was claimant against Iohn de Lideford and Matilda his wife as to 1 ploughland in Gunnoreston (Gunstone in Crediton) (*Feet of Fines*, D. 392). Oliver records that he occurs also in 1254.

1242. 1244. 1254.

Feet of Fines D. 339. 1238. 9 July. William, son of Richard and Albreda, Letitia and Elena his sisters were plaintiffs at Exeter in a case against Godfrey Luure, tenant, as to 1 mesuage in Totton (? the original is torn). Godfrey gave the plaintiffs 4 marks of silver for remittance of their claim.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 169b. 1241. Abbat Simon and the Convent of Thorre recommend to William Brewer, Bishop of Exeter a certain B. de Totton for the vacant vicariate of Schefber (Shebbear).

PRIOR PETRUS.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxx. *circa* 1250. The following deed written on paper appears to be a copy of the original parchment.

Petrus Prior of Totonia and the Convent of the same place greeting in the Lord. Be it known that by our unanimous assent we have granted the chantry of the chapel of the Blessed Edmund the Confessor on the bridge of Tottonia. On condition namely that the aforesaid chapel shall pay annually to the church of the Blessed Mary and to us and our successors four *solidi* sterling at two terms of the year namely at the festival of the Blessed Michael two *solidi* and at Easter two *solidi* for all service, etc. And if it should happen that the said rent be not paid we are licensed to suspend the said chapel from celebration of divine service until we are paid. We grant also to the said chapel all oblations. The warden shall show as much obedience to us and our successors and to our

vicar as to his own chaplains, etc. No water or bread is to be blessed nor mass sung on Sundays and festivals until the vicar shall have held fully his service in the mother church, etc., and the bodies of dead brethren servants and strangers shall be brought to the mother church and buried there. We have ratified the present writing by appending our seal.

Witnessed by:

1 The Abbat of Torre; 2 Magister Iohannes de Sancto Bozono (these two though reading consecutively are not likely to be identical); 3 Magister Rogerus de Tore; 4 Lord Willelmus de Cantulupe junior, lord of Totonia; 5 Lord Nicholaus Martin knight; 6 Hugo Peverel knight; 7 Martin de Fissacre knight; 8 Robertus de Morcell knight; 9 Walterus le Bon; 10 Ricardus de Clauton; 11 Thomas de le Strete, and many others.

As Prior Petrus only occurs in one other reference, so far recovered, *i.e.*, in Totnes Priory Deed cv, wherein he is mentioned as having leased the tithes due to the Priory from Lodeswille, the importance of the correct date of this deed is obvious. We have no clue as to the demise of Prior Iohannes, and the earliest notice of Prior Nicholaus is on the 30th January, 1259-60. Witnesses 9, 10, and 11, are all leading names on chaplain Bartholomew's Guild Roll of 1260 (see page 81). The building of St. Edmund's Chapel would most likely immediately succeed the building of the bridge, which, according to Mr. Edward Windeatt, it is believed was erected in King John's reign (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 165). The testimony of the Abbat of Torre, as he is not named, is of no assistance beyond the fact that his presence and that of five knights suggest the importance of the undertaking, such as the spiritual protection of a safe passage across the Dart.

2. Magister Iohannes de Sancto Bozono. Nowhere can reference be found to this title; if the initial letter was misread Sanctum Laudum was sometimes known as St. Lo, but to no ecclesiastic of this title can the name be traced. According to Dr. Oliver a Iohn, Archdeacon of Totnes, died 20th February, 1258, and as his predecessor, Thomas Pincerna, occurs in 1254, if it were possible to identify this witness with Archdeacon Iohn it would narrow the period during which the deed was written to some four years.

3. Magister Rogerus de Tore. A Frater Rogerus, Canon of Thorre, represented Abbat Symon at Westminster, 9th July, 1253, and on the 16th July the same year witnessed a letter from King Henry III to R., Bishop of Lincoln (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 106*b*).

4. This witness became Lord of Totonia by right of marriage with Eva, daughter of William de Brewes, great grand-daughter of William Brewer, founder of Torre Abbey. The first authentic date on which their names occur together is in four cases tried at Exeter, 15th May, 1244, establishing various rights claimed by them. This Willelmus de Cantulupe, junior, must have died sometime between 1245-51, when during the minority of their son Gregory de Cantilupo, the rights of Totnes were intruded upon by Walter de Bathe, Sheriff of Devon (*Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed, Ex. Mun. Deeds*). A William de Cantilupo was one of the Justices at Oxford on 14th April, 1247 (*Feet of Fines*, D. 727), but this was more likely the father, who from the suffix junior applied to this witness was alive at the date of this deed.

In 1246, Willielmus de Kantelou, junior, as well as Willielmus de Cantelou, senior, witnessed the charter of Reginald de Moun concerning the manor of Axeminstre (given to Newenham Abbey). This charter is also witnessed by Ricardus Albus (Blondy) Bishop of Exeter 1245-1257, and Hugo de Peverel de Ermyngton.

5. Lord Nicholaus Martin, or more correctly Fitz-Martin, held the Honour of Dartington in 1244 (*Testa de Nevil*, p. 193*a*, *Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xl, fo. 121). This witness granted a quit-claim at London in 1261 (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 135*a*).

6. Hugo Peverel, knight. A personage of this name known as "de Erminton" (Ermington) occurs in 1228 and 1244 (*Feet of Fines*, D. 156 and 396). He bought a house in Exeter from Alured Oter (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, ff. 78*a* & *b*). In 1282 a Sir Hugo Peveril de Sanford witnessed an agreement between Robert Coffin and Torre Abbey (*ibidem*, fo. 49*a*). This family held Sampford Peverel and Aller Peverel in Collumton and Carswell in Broadhembury (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxxvii, fo. 416).

7. Martin de Fissacre, knight. Several generations of Martin de Fishacre succeeded one another, no doubt this is the knight who witnessed Totnes Priory Deed lxxviii, between 1247 and 1254. He also witnessed agreement between Robert Coffyn and Abbat Simon of Thorre in 1254 (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 47*b*).

8. Robertus de Morcell'. In 1244 this witness held of Galfrid de Mandevill, of the Honour of Merswod, 1 fee in Goderinton (the Rev. O. J. Reichel identifies this as Gurrington in Woodland, but more likely it should be Goodrington, near Paignton), Ledwycheton (also identified as Liverton in Woodland. This is doubtless the same Lidewichestone land in which was rented by Petrus de Fissacre and Beatrice his wife

for 18*s.* annual rent from Abbat Brianus of Thorre (*Cart.*, fo. 158*b*) and was in the district of Kingswear) and Bruniston (identified as Brownstone in Brixham).

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 120b.

The charter of W. de Cantelupo concerning the liberty of buying and selling (*tholoneum*) in Totnes :—

To all who see and read this writing Willelmus de Cantelupo lord of Tottonia greeting. Be it known, etc., that I have granted, etc., to the Abbat and Convent of Thorre that they may buy without any opposition sixty hides in my ville of Totton' annually free from all toll, etc., to me and my heirs by Eva my wife. For this grant, etc., the said Abbat and Convent undertake to pay to me and to Eva my wife two pairs of boots at the Festival of Saint Michael for all service. Clause of warranty follows. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by (names not given) :

Mr. E. Windeatt and Mr. P. F. S. Amery misconstrue Oliver (under Abbat Lawrence, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 170) and erroneously state that in 1238, William de Cantelupe, as Lord of Totnes, exempted Torre Abbey from payment of manor tolls in Totnes (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 162 and 183), whereas the date 1238 refers to Abbat Lawrence occurring in another deed, respecting Ashclist prebend. The date of above charter should probably be subsequent to 1244, and about the same time as the agreement concerning toll at Kingswear, also in the time of Abbat Lawrence. It is noteworthy that neither in the days of Abbat Lawrence nor of his successor, Abbat Simon, although these privileges were granted by the lord of the manor, was an agreement made with the burgesses of Totton until the consecration of Abbat Brian in 1264 (which date see).

We learn from the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey (fo. 159*a*) that Eva, the third daughter of Willelmus de Brewes, married Willelmus de Campilupo [*sic*] whose son was Gregorius (*sic*—not George) de Campilupo, and in the same Cartulary (fo. 153*a*) that the same William and Eva made an agreement with Abbat Laurencius of Thorre, concerning the toll derived from all merchandise discharged on the shore of Kyngeswerre, exempting the Abbat and Convent and twenty-four of their men from all toll.

1244. Feet of Fines, D. 376.

15th of May. At Exeter a case was heard between William de Cantilupo and Eva his wife claimants by Robert de Frennose in Eva's place and John de Raddone, deforciant, as to customary dues and services which William and Eva exact from the said John in respect of the free tenement

which he holds of them in Raddone[1] (Raddon in Maristow) in respect of which they exact from John that he shall render to them the service of two knights' fees with the appurtenances scutage and suit at their court of Tottenesse every three weeks and that he shall find for them two servants in time of war for ward of their castle of Tottenesse and likewise repair three battlements (*tres kernellos*) of the said castle whensoever it shall be necessary for the aforesaid fees.

John had disputed and withheld these services, but now acknowledged his obligation.

1244. Feet of Fines, D. 378.

15th of May. At Exeter a case was heard between William de Cantilupo and Eva his wife claimants by Robert de Frennse in Eva's place and Muriel de Bouley deforciant; as to customary dues and services which William and Eva exacted from Muriel for the free tenement she holds of them in Wudeford (Woodford in Plympton St. Mary). And between the said William and Eva claimants, by the said Robert in Eva's place, and the said Muriel whom Reginald de Albamarle vouched to warranty and who warranted to him the customary dues and services which William and Eva exacted from Reginald in respect of 1 knight's fee which he holds of Muriel in Wudeford. William and Eva exacted that Muriel should render to them in respect of 9 knights' fees scutage and suit at their court of Totenesse every 3 weeks and should find for them 1 servant for each fee in time of war for guard of their castle of Totenesse and likewise repair for 2 fees 3 battlements (*tres kernellos*) of the said castle whensoever it shall be necessary. A plea was between them.

Muriel acknowledged her obligation to the above services which she had withheld, but William and Eva on their part quit claimed all arrears of same.

Of the estates held by Ralf de Pomeray of Iuhel of Totnes in 1086.

6¾ fees were held by Robert de Bikeleg in 1205.

6¾ fees were held by Muriel de Bolley of the honour of Totton in 1243.

6¾ fees were held by Avice de Bolley of the honour of Totton In 1285.

Henford in Ashwater, ¾ fee; Loventor in Berry Pomeroy, ½ fee; Lupton in Brixham, ½ fee; Curtis Knowl in Diptford, ½ fee; Broadley in North Hewish, 1 fee; North Hewish, ½ fee; Langdon in Wembury, ½ fee; Loughton and Little Toridge in Plympton St. Mary, 1½ fees; Woodford in Plympton, ½ fee; Malston, ½ fee,—6¾ fees.

The editor of the Feet of Fines adds, "and perhaps Lamside and

1. See pp. 12 and 126, the domains of Raddon and Thrichchelton in the parish of Binnebiri. The Ratdona (p. 27) is doubtless identical, although given as in Broadwoodwidger (*Trans. D. Assoc.* Vol. xxv, p. 335).

Adston in Holbeton, 1¼ fees which would make a total of eight fees" (*Feet of Fines*, fo. 189).

1244. 15th May. At Exeter a case was heard between William de Cantilupo and Eva his wife claimants by Robert de Frennse in Eva's place, and Gilbert son of Stephen deforciant as to customary dues and services which William and Eva exacted from the said Gilbert for the free tenement he held of them in Rydmore (Ringmore) touching which the said William and Eva exacted that Gilbert should render to them in respect of 9½ knights' fees scutage, and suit at their court of Totenesse every 3 weeks, and find for them 1 servant for each fee in time of war, for ward of their castle of Totenesse. And likewise repair for 2 fees 3 battlements of the said castle whensoever it shall be necessary.

Gilbert had disputed and withheld these services but now acknowledged his obligation (*Feet of Fines*, D. 380).

Of the estates held by Ralf de Pomeroy of Juhel of Totnes in 1086.

9½ fees were held by William son of Stephen in 1205 (*Feet of Fines*, D. 56).

8½ fees were held by Gilbert son of Stephen of the honour of Totton in 1243.

8½ fees were held by Richard son of Stephen of the honour of Totton in 1285.

Hempston Chatard in Broad Hempston, ⅓ fee; Combe Fishacre in Ipplepen, ½ fee; South Huish and Galmpton, 2 fees; Chivelston, 1 fee; Stodbury in Aveton Gifford, ¼ fee; Ringmore, 1½ fees; Overblatchford in Cornwood, ¼ fee; Brixton barton in Shaugh ; Baccamoor and Holland, ½ fee; Ashleigh in Lifton, 1 fee.

As showing the power of the lord of Totnes over Dartmouth :—

1244. 15th of May at Exeter a case was heard between William de Cantilupo and Eva his wife claimants by Robert de Frennse in Eva's place and Gilbert son of Stephen and his men of Dertemue, as to a complaint made by William and Eva that those men of Dertemue held that market after it had been decided by this Court that the same should no longer be held there.

The market was however granted for all manner of merchandize every Wednesday throughout the year on condition that William and Eva should receive (a blank space in original should probably read either "*piccagium*" or "*lastagium*," see Deed clxi) on all merchandizes bought and sold at Dertemue as well on the Wednesdays as on other days of the week. Other arrangements as to right of Court are concluded (*Feet of Fines*, D. 383).

1244. 15th May. William de Cantilupo and Eva his wife granted to Gilbert

fitz Stephen all the service of Gregory the smith in respect of 1 mesuage which he held of them in Totenesse and Gregory there acknowledged that he owed 12*d* yearly, for the said mesuage in Totenesse (*Feet of Fines*, D. 383).

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed. *circa* 1251.

During the minority of George de Cantilupe (should be probably Gregory see *Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 120*b*), when the castle of Toton' and the knight's fee were in the King's custody, the freedom of the Borough of Totnes from any visitation of the Sheriff (see King John's Charter) was intruded upon by "Walter le Bathe then Sheriff of Devon and Escheator." Walter de Bathon' was Sheriff of Devon from the 21st to 35th Henry III (1237-51), and as both William and Eva were alive 15th May, 1244 this places the date of this violation of the rights of Totnes between the years 1245 and 1251. From the previous evidence considered, it is suggested; that William de Cantilupe the younger died about 1251; that it was on his death that the Sheriff attempted to overthrow the right of the Borough; and that, possibly through the intervention of Eva de Cantilupe and her powerfuf relatives, the Sheriff may have been removed.

circa 1262.

Lady Eva de Cantilupo granted about 1262, 46 Henry III, the advowson of the church of Lodeswelle to the Prior and Canons of the Augustinian house of Studley in Warwickshire, with land to the value of 100*s*. per annum with the homage and services of certain freeholders there and a yearly rent of 20*s*. (Dugdale, *Mon. Anglic.*, Vol. vi, p. 185).

Alleron Collectanea.

Translation (abbreviated) of deed in possession of Lieutenant-Colonel Dacres W. Wise, of Alleron, Loddiswell. It is suggested that the deed is *circa* 1265 (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, N. 193, fo. 245).

circa 1265.

Be it known, etc., that I Eva de Cantilupo in my widowhood have given, etc., to Lord Radulphus de Knouyle for his homage and service all my manor of Lodeswelle with belongings, reserving to me and my heirs the advowson of the church (of Lodeswelle) and excepting the land which I have given to the Prior and Canons of Stodleye. Paying me annually 60*s*., *i.e.* at the festival of S. Michael 30*s*. and at Easter 30*s*. for all service, etc. And I Eva de Cantilupo hold to warranty the aforesaid land, etc., to the said Lord Radulphus. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Willelmus my chaplain; 2 Robertus Wallensi; 3 Robertus de Fremins; 4 Walterus le Bon; 5 Henricus de Tydeworthe; 6 Willelmus Fychet; 7 Thomas de Strete, and others.

In Abergavenny Church is a monument 4ft. 3in. in length. The dress is that of a woman, and the figure lies under the coverture of a shield charged with the arms of Cantelupe, and is hence regarded with great probability as representing Eva de Cantelupe, who, as a co-heiress of William de Braose, obtained on petition the barony of Abergavenny, survived her husband, William de Cantelupe, who had enjoyed the barony in her right, and died bearing his name, and in sole tenure of the barony, leaving three children surviving (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxxix, fo. 154).

1244. 27th January. Margery, who was the wife of William Buzun, is plaintiff, at Westminster, in a case against Robert Buzun tenant, as to one-third part of the manors of Therleston (Thurleston), Chereheton (Churston Ferrers), Radewurth (Radworthy) and Shoure (Sewer in Malborough) and one-third part of 18*s*. worth of rent in Toteneys and 16*s*. worth of rent in Houne (Holne) as dower from her husband's property. Robert granted to Margery the manor of Therleston with advowson of the church during her life, with reversion to himself and heirs (*Feet of Fines*, D. 371).

1244. 5th June. Henry Prior (not "the Prior" as translated) and William, Nicholas and Richard his brothers are plaintiffs at Exeter in a case against John son of Geoffrey Floyt and Sarah his sister tenants, as to 1 mesuage in Tottonia. For the sum of 40*s*. the plaintiffs remitted their claim (*Feet of Fines*, D. 398).

1244. 9th June. Henry parson of the church of Brideford is plaintiff, and the Prior of Tottonia, whom William in la Hole and Walter le King vouched to warranty, defendant in case whether 1 ferling of land in Brideford was free alms belonging to Henry's church, or the lay fee of the Prior. The Prior gave the right to Henry in free alms for the annual payment to the Priors of Tottonia of 3*s*. 6*d*., at the Festival of St. Michael. Clause of warranty. And Henry gave to the Prior 1 sore sparrow-hawk (*Feet of Fines*, D. 399).

1244. 19th June. The Prior of Tottonia is claimant and Guy de Tottonia deforciant as to 1 mesuage in Exeter. Guy acknowledged the mesuage to be the right of the Prior and his church of Tottonia. For this the Prior granted the said mesuage to Guy and Petronilla his wife for the yearly payment of 1 pound of wax at the Assumption of the Blessed Mary, and the Prior undertook to pay to them during their lives 40*s*. every Christmas (*Feet of Fines*, D. 385).

1245. A letter of Bishop William Brewer (1224-1244) is quoted by Pope Innocent IV, whereby an arrangement is made with the Bishop of Salisbury regarding the church of Teyngtone (Kingsteignton) with the

chapel of Teyngnewyke and the church of Ealmintone (Yealmpton) with its chapel of which, with the Prebend, the Bishops of Salisbury were Patrons.

The churches of Kentone and Alfyngtone (West Alvington) with their chapels and incomes and the tithes of Evetrue are granted for the perpetual use of the community of Salisbury.

The church of Hurbertone with its chapels and income is granted for the perpetual use of the Canons of Exeter.

This agreement was signed with the seals of the Bishops and Chapters of Salisbury and Exeter (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1182).

1245. 1st December. Richard Blond or Blondy was consecrated Bishop of Exeter at Reading.

1257. On 26th December he died.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxvii. I Iohannes son of Ricardus de Hydone have given, etc., to Willelmus my younger son for his homage and service all my land of Uleburgerclist and of Wudeham with the service of the free men and villains with the advowson of the church, etc. To hold and to have, etc. Whilst rendering annually the aforesaid Willelmus and his heirs to me and my heirs one pair of white gloves or one *denarium* at Easter for all service of sect of Court, etc., except regal service and excepting also sect of the Court of Cliftone twice a year at the two *laghedaghes* namely at Hokedaye and at the festival of Saint Michael. And if the aforesaid Willelmus should die without heir of his flesh the whole aforesaid land shall revert to me and my heirs so that the aforesaid Willelmus is not licensed to give or sell all or part of the aforesaid land, etc. I indeed Iohannes, etc., hold to warranty the aforesaid land to Willelmus, etc., and have ratified the present charter by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Thomas then Abbat of Dunckewille'; 2 Willelmus de Stanweya then dean of Exeter; 3 Radulfus de Valle-torta knight; 4 Robertus de Scheeter knight; 5 Willelmus Prudhum', and others.

Small piece of plaited braid appended,—seal has been detached.

There is a Woodland Barton and a Wood farm near to Ugborough, but there is also a Wadham, written Wodeham (*Feet of Fines*, D. 51) and Aldborough in Knowstone, 4 miles south-west from East Anstey station. This identification, if correct, and the presence of the Abbat of Dunkeswell as chief witness, strongly suggest that this deed has no reference to

the history of Totnes Priory. As it occurs and is numbered among the Priory deeds, it is here introduced.

1. Thomas, Abbat of Dunkeswelle, occurs 29th September, 1253, and probably succeeded to the rule of the Abbey on the translation of Abbat Ralph to Waverley in 1251 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 394). Mr. J. Brooking Rowe (*Cistercian Houses of Devon*, fo. 161) was unable to find a single further reference to this Abbat.

2. William de Stanwey probably succeeded Roger de Wynklegh on the latter's decease, 13 August, 1252, as third Dean of Exeter, which position he held until his death, 31st December, 1268.

3. Ralph de Valle Torta occurs 5th and 13th June, 1249, and 2nd December, 1256 (*Feet of Fines*, D. 466, 477 and 568).

4. Robert de Schete and Rœsia, his wife are plaintiffs at Exeter, 5th June, 1244, as to land in Brocland (Brockland Trill in Axmouth) (*Feet of Fines*, D. 436) but he is not recorded as a knight.

5. A William Prudumme occurs 15th July, 1238, as tenant in Uppetun (Upton in Payhembury) (*Feet of Fines*, D. 310).

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxviii. *post* 1247. *ante* 1254.

I Radulfus Breyse have given, etc., to God and the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and the monks serving God there a mesuage with appurtenances which I held from the Prior of Tottonia without the eastern gate of Tottonia which is between the land which Ricardus Knyllebole formerly held and the land which Severus Alewii formerly held and an orchard with appurtenances which is in width between the orchard which belonged to Thomas de Streta and the orchard which belonged to Gunnild Taillur and in length from the orchard which belonged to Galfridus son of Sarra towards the south side just as the other strange orchards extend. To hold and to have, etc., free of all service and secular exaction except two *denarii* paid annually to the lord of Tottonia from the said mesuage at Easter for all services, etc., which I annually pay by the hand of the said Prior. And excepting six *denarii* annually paid to the heirs of Andreas le Scot from the said orchard namely at Easter and at the festival of Saint Michael. And excepting service to the lords of Tottonia due to them from the aforesaid orchard for everything. And I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Willelmus Abbat of Buffestria; 2 Lord Symon Abbat of Thorre (occurs 1247-1254); 3 Lord Martinus de Fissacre; 4 Lord Robertus Buzun; 5 Ricardus de Clauton; 6 Walterus le Bon; 7 Thomas de Stret;

8 Robertus de Dertemouthe; 9 Galfridus de Stock; 10 Ricardus Russell; 11 Radulfus Page, and others.

On reverse "Charter for a mesuage in Totton," "Modo Willelmi Cosby."

Appended small parchment tag which, judging by the stain, once carried a seal of green wax now broken off.

According to the lists of the Abbats of Buckfast Abbey, compiled by Dom Hamilton, O.S.B.:

Abbat William II occurs 1246.

Abbat Howell occurs 1247.

Abbat William III occurs 1257.

As Abbat Symon of Thorre occurs 1247-1254 it is more probable that the deed was written in the time of Abbat William III.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxix. I Benedictus de Ponte have given, etc., to Stephanus le Voyl a certain rent of twenty *sterlings* [*sic*] annually received from a certain tenement with appurtenances in Totton which Ricardus le Schyrreve held from me namely from the said share of a mesuage with appurtenances which is between the land which Ricardus de Clavton held called la Medeschoale and the way which leads towards Lodewycheswille. And from a curtillage which is between the land which Ricardus de Clavton held and the land which Iohannes le Peyre held. To hold and to have to the said Stephanus, etc. Rendering annually to me, etc., one pair of white gloves or one *obelum* (halfpenny) at Easter for all service of sect of Court, etc., except service belonging to the lord of Tottonia and excepting five *denarii* payable at the festival of Saint Michael to the lord Prior and to the Convent of Tottonia annually. For this gift, etc., the said Stephanus has given me fifteen *solidi* sterling. Whilst I undertake to warranty, etc. If we are unable to warranty then to make reasonable exchange from my tenement in which I live in Totton, etc.

I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus le bon; 2 Ricardus de Clauton; 3 Thomas de Streta; 4 Robertus de Bertem; 5 Ricardus de Porta; 6 Galfridus de la Stock; 7 Nicholaus de Dunelm, and others.

Appended to parchment tag very perfect seal of dark green wax, $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch diameter; central device a fleur de lys, inscription around, S. BENEDICTI DE PONTE.

1249. 6th June, at Exeter a case was heard between Richard Shirreve,

plaintiff, and Mauger Prute tenant, as to one burgage in Alfredescumbe (Ilfracombe) (*Feet of Fines*, D. 472).

1249. 31st May. Gregory Gille and Margery his wife were plaintiffs at Exeter in a case against Andrew le Escot tenant, as to ¼ acre of land in Totton. For 2 marks of silver plaintiffs remitted their claim. (*Feet of Fines*, D. 501).

Mon. Dioc. Exon., fo. 240. 1252. Be it known, etc., that I Gelleta who was formerly the wife of Andreas Le Scot in my widowhood have quit claimed to Walterus Le Bon and his heirs all right and claim which I have as dowry in the whole land which Andreas Le Scot formerly my husband had in la Werelande for one silver marc hand money which the same Walterus gave me. I have appended my seal. Dated at Tottonia on the Monday before the festival of Saint Elphegus (19th April) in the 36th year of the reign of King Henry (1252, and not 1251, as Oliver).

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus de la Olant; 2 Robertus de Dartemuth; 3 Ricardus Russel; 4 Galfridus de Stock; 5 Radulfus Page; 6 Petrus de Fonte; 7 Nicholas de Dunelmo, and others.

Dr. Oliver does not say where he saw this deed.

1253. Pope Innocent IV gave the tenths and first fruits of all benefices, hitherto received by the Pope, to Henry III for three years, which caused the so-called Norwich taxation in 1254.

1255. 27th October. At Exeter a case was heard between Walter le Bon, claimant, and Thomas de Betteleghe and Joan, his wife, opponents, as to two ferlings and seven acres of land in Boke (*Feet of Fines*, D. 561).

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed. 1255. Verdict concerning customary rents (due) to the Lord of Totton'.

Verdict of jurors at Totton', made before the Lord Martin de Leg' knight, and the Lord Elias de Cumba, clerk, Bailiffs of the Lord Edward, son of King Henry, on Saturday after St. Giles (1st of September) in the 39th year of King Henry (III, 1255).

Names of Jurors: 1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Ricardus de Clauton; 3 Robertus le Bastarde; 4 Robertus de Dertemouth; 5 Nicholaus de Dunyeo; 6 Ricardo de Porta, and other jurors.

Estergavell. First they say that a certain rent of assize which is called "Estergavell" is rendered from every burgage namely 2*d.* yearly at Easter; so that if any one holding any such burgage shall have died his heir or heirs as long as they shall be willing to be included in the said burgage shall give of relief

14½*d.* at the most; and when they shall wish to divide the said burgage each shall give for his part a relief according to the fine which he shall be able to make under 14½*d.* And be it known that the said rent in each year increases and decreases.

Total by estimation of the said Jury 46*s.* 2*d.* with the tithe.

Frygavell. There is a certain rent at Totton' called "Frygavell" payable at the Festival of S. Martin (11th November) namely from every burgess having a wife 2*d.* And by reason of that liberty called Frygavell the wife of the same burgess can be (in) his suit to bear witness against his adversaries. If the said burgess dwell within the town without a wife he shall give 1*d.* If he dwell without the town he shall give nothing. Total 20*s.* with tithe.

Thangavell. A rent called Thangavell; namely from every tanner 2*d.* at the Festival of S. Martin. Total 2*s.* 8*d.* with tithe.

Chepgavell. A rent called Chepgavell; every merchant who belongs to the Gild of Merchants of Totton' not having a tenement there, ought to render yearly 6*d.* at the four terms of the year; and when he shall have acquired a tenement, he shall be quit from the said rent. And he shall render 2*d.* of Estergavell. Total 20*s.* 6*d.* with the tithe.

Hystgavell. This is due from certain curtilages at the Nativity of S. John the Baptist, namely ½*d.* from each. It is a certain rent. Total 12*d.* with the tithe.

Escheat. There is a certain escheat from a certain house of Thomas de Strete, because a certain woman called Bonaneya dwelt in Poitou and had in the said house 2*s.* of rent, and not more. Total 2*s.* with the tithe.

Also they say that William Armiger is bound yearly to render 6*d.* of new increase of a certain curtilage.

The farm of the fishery with the rushes (*irundine*) used to be worth 5*s.* yearly: it increases and decreases.

Farm of the water, 2*s.* yearly with the tithe.

Sale of herbage in the garden, 4*s.*

Sale of rushes (*irundinis*), 8*d.* with tithe.

Sale of the lord's meadow, 4*s.* yearly with tithe.

Proceeds of the mill grinding malt, 4*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* yearly without tithe and without the maintenance of the mill and the stipends of the miller and his boy, allowed at 18*s.* The burgesses of Totton' are not bound to do suit to the said mill.

The township of Totton' renders yearly 4*l.* at four terms for all tallages, "*ita quod burgenses prædictæ villæ in omnibus placitis sine occasione sint deducti.*" If any shall be amerced he shall give 14½*d.* at most, unless burning a house be in question, and then he shall give 2*s.* 6*d.*

The custom of the market on Saturdays and other days is worth yearly 37*s.* 9¾*d.*

The custom of the bridge 7*s.* with tithe.

The custom of the fair (*mundinarum*) 40*s.*

Perquisites of the Court of the Borough 48*s.* 9*d.* and were never tithed.

Perquisites of the Knight's Court 6*s.* 8*d*; never tithed.

The lord of Totton' is bound yearly to render to the Prior and Convent of S. Nicholas Exeter two marks and to the heirs of Robert Bozon half a mark, and to the lord of Dartyngton 1lb. of wax or 6*d.* "*pro recursu aque molendini super terram de Dartyngton.*"

The heirs of Robert Niger (Black) and of William le Bon may grind at the mill of Totton' certain quantities of malt quit of toll, because the mill was built on their land and the watercourse is led through their land.

The burgesses ought to be free from toll in all towns, etc., and from the visitation of the Sheriff.

They have a liberty called a Gild of Merchants, whereby they can make strange merchants free of toll. They can amend their plaints on the first plea-day in the Court before the Steward. In the Court of the lord of Totton' they can plead all pleas which are pleaded before the Justices in the Common Pleas.

1257-8. Walter Bronescombe, a native of Exeter, although only in deacon's orders, was, on the 23rd February elected to succeed Bishop Richard Blondy. On the 9th March he was ordained priest at Canterbury by Archbishop Boniface, and on following day, the 10th March, was consecrated Bishop of Exeter.

On the 14th April, the new Bishop was enthroned at Exeter, when, doubtless, the heads of the religious houses in the diocese would be present.

From this Bishop Bronescombe the series of Registers of the Bishops of Exeter commence, so carefully transcribed by the Rev. Prebendary F. C. Hingeston-Randolph, Rector of Ringmore, to whom the nine volumes published are a monument of his patience and laborious work.

1258-9. 19th March. Magister Ricardus de Tottonia clerk and notary of Bishop Richard Blondy together with lord Walterus de Lodeswille priest, chancellor and chamberlain to the same, confessed in the Chapter-House of Buckfast Abbey before Bishop Bronescombe to abuses of their office during the last days of Bishop Blondy. They made public confession of their faults and received absolution.

1259. On the 18th September, the Priors of Bodmin and Tywardreath were commissioned by the Bishop to publish the sentence of excommunication

against the Prior (Robert Fissacre) of Launceston "on account of disobedience and manifest offense." This was carried out in the Chapter-House at Launceston. The efforts of the Cornish Priors were soon successful, for, on the 20th September, their brother Prior professed penitence, and was absolved, and on the 30th appeared before the Bishop at Tregony (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 200).

PRIOR NICHOLAUS.

With this Prior we reach a period when, owing to the more frequent use of dates, historical data are shrouded in less uncertainty. The name occurs in fourteen of the Priory deeds. The year of the installation of this Prior is suggested by the record in Bishop Bronescombe's Register
1259-60. that on 30th January, 1259-60, at Paignton a definite arrangement was drawn up between Prior Nicholaus and the Convent on the one part, and Walterus, perpetual vicar of the Church of Tottonia on the other, securing to the latter an annual stipend of 10 marcs sterling, to be paid by the Prior in two instalments; other emoluments are secured to the vicar, and both parties undertake, subject to a fine of 40 *solidi*, to be present at ordinations.
1261. This the Bishop put to the test on the 24th September of the following year, 1261.

This agreement is the earliest dated occurrence of this Prior's name, and was probably necessitated by the advent of a new Prior, and, very likely, a stranger to arrangements and conditions under which vicar Walterus had for some time already occupied the living.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxi. *post* 1258. *ante* 1264.

This is the agreement between Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia, etc., and Martinus de Cholatun namely that the aforesaid Prior and Convent have granted to the aforenamed Martinus, etc., a chantry in their chapel of Cholaton in derogation (deprivation) of the mother church. On condition that the aforesaid Prior and Convent shall cause the chaplain of Brixam to celebrate divine service in the aforesaid chapel in whatever year on twenty days, namely the first four days of Christmas the day of the Circumcision the day of Epiphany (*Ephifanie*) the day of Purification the day of the head Ieronimus (*ierinii* 30th September) and the day of the Annunciation of Saint Mary the three first days of Easter and the day of the Ascension the day of Pentechost the day of the Holy Trinity the day of Saint John the Baptist the day of Saints Peter and Paul the day of the Assumption of Saint Mary the day of All Saints and the day of Souls. Moreover the aforesaid Prior, etc., have granted to the aforesaid Martinus

that he shall cause whomever he will to celebrate the divine office in the aforesaid chapel on condition that whoever shall have celebrated undertakes on oath to obey faithfully the church of Saint Mary of Totonia and the monks there. The aforesaid Martin agreed to receive any parishioner in the aforesaid chapel on festival days unless on the principal festival of the chapel. For this concession the aforesaid Martinus gave the aforesaid church, etc., two *solidi* annual rent on the Assumption of Saint Mary. The aforesaid Martinus promised to keep this agreement in the chapter house of Tottonia and it is confirmed by appending the mutual seals of the aforesaid church and monks and of the aforesaid Martinus.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus sub-prior; 2 Hubertus the monk; 3 Iohannes the monk; 4 Ricardus de Wasseburna; 5 Gilbertus Archdeacon of Tottonia; 6 Iohannes the deacon; 7 Magister Ysaac; 8 Benedictus the clerk; 9 Warinus chaplain of Brixam; 10 Ricardus Flammangus (the Flemyng); 11 Robertus son of Herbertus; 12 Warinus de Morcellis; 13 Willelmus Buzun; 14 Robertus Depenil; 15 Wido Croc then sewer; 16 Willelmus Croc; 17 Bartholomeus, and many others.

No seal, only tag appended.

The word CYROGRAPHVM in large letters is cut through at the top of parchment.

The home of Martinus de Cholatun is still standing, a farmhouse at the head of a combe sloping to the channel midway between Scabbacombe Head and the mouth of the Dart; about two and a half miles by road east of Kingswear. This out of the way spot is still pronounced locally as "Coaltun" spelt on the Ordnance Survey "Coleton," thus distinguishing it from the numerous Collaton villages. The wall of the present dwelling-house on the seaward side is thirty-nine inches thick. The most likely site of the chapel of Martinus de Cholatun is perhaps a ruined building adjoining the back entrance on the north side which at one time was used as a smithy.

The first witness to Deed lxxxi gives us the name of the Sub-prior Willelmus and two monks Hubertus and Iohannes, at that time members of the community. The "chaplain of Brixam" Warinus was also present in the chapter house of the Priory. The daughter of this Warinus is mentioned as granting a quit claim in 1228, which would represent the chaplain as an old man thirty years later *circa* 1258 when it is thought the rule of Prior Nicholaus commenced.

The evidence of the fifth witness Gilbertus, Archdeacon of Tottonia is more difficult to reconcile. A Gilbert Basset was Archdeacon in 1206, and already another, Walter de Grey, occurs on the 10th May, 1207, so that it is quite impossible that Prior Nicholaus, whose name occurs as late as 1281, can have been ruling then. Dr. Oliver tells us that Archdeacon John died 20th February, 1258, and that Galfrid occurs in 1262. Master Walter de Pembroke was collated to the Archdeaconry, 11th January, 1263-4. Possibly Galfrid is identical with the Gilbertus fifth witness to this deed, and therefore it must have been written subsequent to 20th February, 1258, and not later than 11th January, 1264. The necessarily advanced age of the "chaplain of Brixam" suggests the earlier year, and therefore this grant is placed as one of the earliest transactions of Prior Nicholaus.

1259. On the 8th October a certain Ricardus called Longus, clerk of Churchtone showed letters (*in forma pauperum*) at Bodrigan obtained by request from Avagnia under date 28th March (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 49).

1260. On the 17th September at Poltone, Ricardus called Longus of Churchtone showed Apostolic letters received in the manner of the poor obtained by request from Avagnia, 25th March 1260 (*ibidem*).

Churutone, in the original, is written over the last occurrence of the name, but Cherchetona, Cherchetun, Chirchetune in the Totnes deeds is the early reading of Churston (Ferrers) a chapel to Brixham. Bodrigan is in the parish of St. Goran and Poltone a manor of the Bishops of Exeter in St. Gerrans, both in Cornwall. Bishop Bronescombe was on both occasions visiting that part of his diocese and probably the "clerk of Churchtone" had to justify his presence there by showing the Papal authority for his mission.

1259. On the day of St. Hugh, 17th November, Bishop Bronescombe dedicated the church of Saint Mary of Tottonia "that is to say the Conventual Church." This is the first visit (of a total of four paid to Totnes) during his Episcopate (1257-1280). In a special record of dedications fifty-two churches are recorded and then the list ends with the general note, that in the year 1268-69 the Bishops dedicated forty churches in Devon and Cornwall (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 66).

We have thus the dedication of no less than ninety-two churches in the diocese. What is the explanation of this large number of dedications (the word used is invariably "*dedicavit*") of churches, some of which we know must have been in existence before the days of Bishop Bronescombe? When did this series of dedications commence? The Bishop was

enthroned at Exeter on the 14th April, 1258, and the first recorded dedication is the church of St. Breoke on the 24th September, 1259, and between that date and the 10th December he dedicated thirty-five churches. The next date 14th September, 1260, is a *consecration* (*consecravit*) of the altar of a chapel at Tregaer in honour of the Holy Cross, the only ceremony of the ninety-two recorded as a consecration. On the 23rd July, 1261, the Bishop commenced another series of dedications at Stokelegh Pomeray, and between this date and 2nd September, 1261, sixteen churches were dedicated. The next series was seven years later, when in the year 1268-69 it is mentioned in the register that forty more were dedicated.

In his preface to the Register of Bishop Bronescombe (fo. xii) the Rev. F. C. Hingeston-Randolph considers that these churches had been rebuilt or enlarged and that "a great wave of zeal for the Houses of God had swept over the whole diocese." On the next page (fo. xiv) "The Fabrick of the Cathedral is only incidentally mentioned in this Register. And indeed it is certain that very little was done to it during Bronescombe's Episcopate." In the preface to the Register of Bishop Grandisson (fo. xxvi) in a foot note the author considers briefly the necessity for reconsecration, and quotes Archbishop Anselm (1093-1114), as establishing the rule that reconsecration was not deemed necessary, merely because new materials had been introduced and great improvements effected even in the case of "churches which had been enlarged as to length or breadth, or both." The question is of importance as the dedication of the Priory Church of Tottonia is understood to record its reconstruction.

The absence of record of the movements or acts of Bishop Bronescombe's predecessors and especially of the two previous occupants of the see, Bishop William Briwere (1224-1244) and Bishop Richard Blondy (1245-1257) render assertion impossible. Oliver records (*Lives of the Bishops*, fo. 35) that Bishop Briwere consecrated the church of St. Berian the Virgin on 26th August, 1238, subsequent to which, we do not know whether Cornwall was visited by any bishop of the diocese until the hurried visit to his manor of Poltone on 9th May, 1258, by Bishop Bronescombe, followed by the series of dedications in the autumn of 1259, most of which occur in Cornwall. If the estimate of Bishop Godwin is correct (Bishop Blondy is mentioned as weak minded and indolent) we can find reason to believe that the visitation of the diocese, and especially of the far distant parts, was neglected. On the other hand, the return of the

Crusaders with Bishop Briwere in 1233 would prove an incentive to the building or reconstruction of many places of worship, and we can easily understand that Bishop Bronescombe, in the course of visiting his manors in the first year of his episcopacy, ascertained that many of the churches of his diocese had never been consecrated by the diocesan. Doubtless religious services had been held in them for years, and they were therefore considered consecrated by usage, and the term "*dedicavit*" is used; the word "*consecravit*" being used on the sole occasion where an altar is mentioned as the object of ceremony.

The temporary abandonment of work on the cathedral and the subsequent dedications of 1261(16) and 1268(40) suggest that at the instigation of Bishop Bronescombe much work was undertaken on the churches of Devon and Cornwall and that possibly the skilled labour employed on the cathedral was devoted to this purpose. The Priory Church of Tottonia is among the first dedicated on Bishop Bronescombe's return from Cornwall; whatever alteration or reconstruction rendered this necessary is due to the initiative of Prior Petrus, who also witnessed the construction of the chapel of St. Edmund on the bridge.

1260. The year in which Bartholomeus the chaplain made his list of the Guild of Merchants (see p. 80). It is interesting to note that, although he is entitled both chaplain and clerk to the brotherhood, according to the evidence of the succeeding deed (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xlv) he was not vicar; elsewhere distinct evidence has been found of the incumbent of a parish being sometimes styled vicar and on occasion merely "*clericus*" (see *Brixham Parish Deeds*).

Mr. P. F. S. Amery is in error when he states in reference to Bartholomew (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 183). "We elsewhere learn that he became vicar of Totnes in 1269." In that year on the 21st September (*Tot. Pr. Deed* xcv) Petrus, then Vicar of Tottonia occurs and Bishop Bronescombe's Register of Institutions (fo. 187) record that—

1267. Bartholomew de Tottonia, priest, was instituted 8th August, 1267.

1268. Peter de Tottonia, priest, was admitted "vicar of the parish church," 23rd November, 1268.

By this we see that Bartholomew, although serving the community certainly for seven previous years, perhaps as assistant priest at one of the many chapels, was only actually vicar for some fifteen months.

Tot. Pr. Deed xlv. *circa* 1260. I Ricardus de Porta have given conceded and by the present my charter confirmed to God and to the church of the Blessed Marie of Tottonia and

to the monks serving God there one house which I had in Tottonia which is situated near the gate of the aforesaid monks on the north side of the house which Galfridus Hock held. To hold and to have, etc. I indeed the aforesaid Ricardus, etc., hold to warranty the aforesaid house to the aforesaid monks, etc., and acquit from all rents and services, etc. To the present writing I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Walterus then vicar of Tottonia; 2 Bartholomeus the chaplain; 3 Walterus le Bon; 4 Ricardus de Clauton; 5 Willelmus de Bonevyle; 6 Thomas de Strete; 7 Ricardus son of Adam and others.

On reverse, "The charter which the Prior and Convent have from Richardus de Porta concerning the house within the house of the Priory." From mark on reverse a parchment tag has been appended, but, with the seal it probably carried, is detached.

The above Ricardus de Porta is probably the same person as Ricardus Russel witness of Totnes Priory Deeds xl, xli, xlii and xlvii as in the Cartulary of Thorre Abbey a Willelmus Russel de la Gata is mentioned.

The date of deed is approximately fixed by the occurrence of the donor and all the witnesses among the first names enrolled by Bartholomew the chaplain in the Guild of Merchants A.D. 1260 (see page 80).

1260. 8th April. Bishop Bronescombe put Master Iohannes de Blakedone for one year in charge of the church of Ashprington.

1261. 20th April on Wednesday before Easter at Chydeleghe on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia the Bishop again put (*commendavit*) Master Iohannes de Blakedone in charge of the church of Ashprington (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 108).

1261. 21st July, Archbishop Boniface of Canterbury paid a visitation to the Prior and Convent of Tottonia. Two days previously he visited the Dean and Chapter of Exeter, and the day after, on the 22nd, visited Plimpton Priory. On the 26th he visited the Prior and Convent of Tywerdrait (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 42).

1261. 28th August. As at Totnes, Bishop Bronescombe arranged the status of the vicar of Tywardreath. Ralph, a priest, being instituted, he was to have the portion of a monk, and four marcs annual pension, a room, and forage for one horse with corn.

1261. 24th September. Bishop Bronescombe held an ordination at Tottonia, the second of four visits during his episcopacy of nearly twenty-two and a half years.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxii. 3 May, 1262.

In the year 1262 at the festival of the finding of the Holy Cross it was agreed between Lord Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the one part and Galfridus de la Stocke and Thyphania his wife on the other namely that for as much as the said Prior and Convent might be complaining of the aforesaid Galfridus and Thyphana concerning a certain obstructed road which formerly lay through the middle of the land of the said Galfridus and Thiphania and led towards Foletone, and concerning a certain rent of six *denarii* annually owing in tithe to the Prior, etc., from a garden with appurtenances on the west side of the town of Tottonia which lies between the land which Willelmus de Boneville held and the land which Hugo son of Symon formerly held in width and between the great road and the land which Galfridus de Brodeche held in length, peace and agreement were re-established in this manner namely that the said Prior, etc., agreed that the said road shall remain for ever where it was made and agreed to at the time of drawing up the present writing. They shall remit moreover every kind of demand which they have had against the said Galfridus and Thyphania, etc., by reason of the aforesaid road formerly obstructed and by reason of the aforesaid rent owed to them from the aforesaid garden. For this concession, etc., the said Galfridus and Thyphaania, etc., undertake to pay annually to the said Prior and convent six *denarii* sterling on the festival of Saint Peter called "in chains" or within the octave of the said festival one good shoe (*soccum*) and its fellow or six *denarii* at the said term according to the wish of the said Prior. And if the rent is not paid the Prior is licensed to levy distraint on the aforesaid garden. And if it happens that there is nothing to distrain they shall give the Prior half a quart (*sextarium*) of wine.

The said Prior, etc., hold to warranty the said way that it shall always remain where made, etc.

In witness of which thing the parties have appended alternately their seals, etc.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Willelmus de Boneville; 3 Thomas de Strete; 4 Iohannes de Fonte; 5 Petrus the clerk, and others.

Appended to parchment tag, round green seal, central device the eight-pointed Christian symbol with loop on sinister side; inscription is almost defaced but last word on dexter appears to be STOCK.

Apparently Galfridus had closed the road, and, as it was the direct route to the property of the Priory at Foletone, it is the chief cause of litigation, and the first clause of agreement is "that the road shall remain

for ever where it was made." As the road to-day is a very straight one, it probably follows the route opposed in 1262 by Galfridus de la Stocke. Galfridus was evidently powerless against Prior Nicholaus, and had to undertake to pay the annual rent of six *denarii* for the garden, receiving only the remittance of all claims the Convent had against them, which probably referred to arrears of the said rent, but for how many years we are not told. The garden was very probably an orchard, because it is stipulated that, in case of failure to pay the rent, if there is nothing to distrain (*i.e.* if the crop had been gathered), the tenants are to give the Prior "half a *sextarium* of wine," which may mean cider, the product of the orchard. This Galfridus or Geoffrey, evidently a resident in Totnes as he witnessed several deeds, derived his family name, in all probability, from the village of Stoke (Gabriel) on the Dart.

1262-3. 10th February at Exeter a case was heard between Philip de Kyngeswere the monk claimant by William de Kyngeswere in his place and Joan Bozun deforciant; as to 6 quarters and 5 bushels of wheat and 2 quarters and 5 bushels of oats which are in arrear to him in respect of a yearly rent of 5 quarters of wheat and 2 quarters of oats. Joan acknowledged and undertook for herself that henceforth during her life she would render every year to Philip 5 quarters of wheat and 2 quarters of oats within her manor of Chercheton (Churston Ferrers). Clause of distraint follows (*Feet of Fines*, D. 627).

In 1243 William Buzun held one fee in Churetheton of Reginald de Valletort.

1262-3. On the 5th March, Prior Michael of Tywardrat (Tywardreath) died. (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 188), and on the 22nd May, 1263, Geoffrey was installed as Prior.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxiii. 13 February, 1263. This is the final agreement made in Court of the Lord King at Exeter in one month from Saint Hillary's day in the 47th year of the reign of King Henry son of King John (1263) before Robertus de Brywes, Ricardus de Middelton and Willelmus de Staunton, etc., between Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia petitioner and Simon Abbat of Thorre defendant by brother Brianus Canon of Torre in his place to make apparent or lose six acres of land with appurtenances in Kyngeswere, plea of agreement was summoned between them in the same Court namely that the said Abbat recognised the whole land to be the right of the Prior and of his church of Saint Mary of Tottonia and this he rendered and quit-claimed. And for this

recognition the Prior received the said Abbat in all benefices and prayers in his Church.

On reverse in English: "A fine betweene the Prior of Torre and the Prior of Totton'."

This is identical with the record in the Feet of Fines, D. 629.

The endorsement must have been written some time after the dissolution, for to style the head of a Premonstratensian house otherwise than Abbat could not be the work of any inmate of a religous house, and would be a mistake scarcely possible in pre-Reformation days.

Cart. Thorre Abb., fo. 120b. 1264.

On Tuesday after the Festival of St. Michael (29 September) an agreement was made between the citizens belonging to the Guild of Merchants (*in Gilda Mercatorum*) on the one part and Brother Brianus Abbat of Torre and the Convent on the other. The said citizens grant permission to buy and sell merchandise in the ville of Totton to any of the canons or brethren just as they themselves enjoy, on condition that the said Abbat and convent do not possess a stall (*aliquam tabernam*), and the said Abbat and convent undertake to hold faith (act honourably) towards all citizens and merchants belonging to the Guild of Merchants of Totton, and to pay annually to the seneschal of the freedom of the aforesaid Guild (*senescalli Liberti predictæ Gildæ*) two *solidi* sterling at Easter and at the festival of St. Michael in equal portions, etc. In witness of which we have appended our common seal. Witnessed by: (It is unfortunate that in so many of the deeds copied into the Cartulary the names of witnesses are omitted).

This is the first entry on Chaplain Bartholomew's Roll (page 80). Both records are carefully dated, but the chaplain's record is supposed to anti-date the above by four years. This discrepancy suggests that Bartholomew may not have written the roll until 1264, although it is distinctly stated that the list of names is the "Roll of the Gylde of Merchants," etc., A.D. 1260.

1264-5.

On the 15th March at Chedeleghe, the Prior of Tottonia, together with Abbat Brian of Torre, the Prior of Bodmin and others witnessed the resignation of Master Robertus de Peintone of the portion which he possessed in the church of St. Budock in Cornwall (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 167).

1265.

10th April. King Henry III in the 48th year of his reign at Northampton granted to the bailiffs burgesses and honest men of Totton', in aid of enclosing the town, that for five years they may take therein for mending the walls certain sums from corn, horses, cattle, hides,

salt-meat, fish, hogs, cloth, silk, wool and other things sold in the town. This custom was entitled "murage." (*Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deeds*).

1265-6. 13th March. Bishop Bronescombe held an ordination at Tottonia where, on the presentation of the Abbat and Convent of Sherborne (M.S. Syreburne), he admitted a new vicar (name not recorded) to Seytone (Seaton). This was the third of four visits during his episcopacy.

1267. 15th August on the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary, Master Robert de Peintone was collated Vicar of Ashprington by Bishop Bronescombe (*Reg.*, fo. 108.)

1268. 14th August through the patronage of Sir Henry de Tracy a John de Tottonia priest was installed by Bishop Bronescombe Rector of Barnstaple.

Tot. Pr. Deeds lxxxiv-xci. Eight deeds were found tied together, having reference to the family and land "de la Triwe." As the first of this series is witnessed by Walterus the Vicar, on whom Prior Nicholaus on his appointment was persuaded by Bishop Bronescombe in 1260 to settle a yearly stipend, and, as the eighth deed (xci) is a quit claim to Prior Nicholaus, the contents may rightly be considered under this period. The first four should probably be placed earlier in chronological order, but it was thought better to maintain their connection, and they are numbered therefore "de la Triwe" 1-8.

The land "de la Triwe, Trewe, Truwe," or "ad la Trywe," as it is variously described and spelt, was situated we gather "between the land of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia and the road which leads from Tottonia towards Garston" (*lxxxviii*), and again other property is described as being "between the road which stretches towards the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene and the road which stretches towards the land de la Trewe." (*lxxxix*). Of the meaning of the word there can be little doubt. The obvious French origin and gender point to the modern form *la trouée*, signifying the opening or gap. With the direction known, and this qualifying name, "the land of the opening," the land called la Triwe was probably one of the valleys formed by the tributaries of the Harbourne, and, as suggested (p. 8), is represented by the modern name of Tristford.

The first interest the Priory acquired in the land of "la Triwe" was from a certain chaplain known as Humfredus de la Triwe, who granted for his soul and the souls of his parents and ancestors 6 *denarii* annually to be paid from his land of "de la Triwe" (*lxxxiv*). A certain Marioc or Mariota, daughter of Margery de la Triwe, married Henricus de Snoudon (*lxxxv*), and a certain Amicia de la Trywe brought to Thomas de Strete

a right in the land "ad la Trywe" (*lxxxviii*). Not improbably Mariota and Amicia were the daughters of Humfredus and brought their husbands their respective shares, but a certain Walterus de la Truwe and Ricardus de la Triwe were in possession of the estate from which the Priory received 6 *denarii* annually (*lxxxvii*). Prior Nicholaus seems first to have acquired the share of Mariota on the death of her husband for 50 *solidi* cash and the annual rendering of a pair of white gloves (*lxxxvi*), and further obtained a quit claim for the sum of 2 *solidi* (*lxxxv*). Her husband, Henricus de Snowdon, appears to have purchased or otherwise obtained in his own right the share of Walterus de la Truwe, which he subsequently conveyed to Ricardus de Clauton for 4 marcs down, and a pair of white gloves annually, and subject to a similar payment of a pair of gloves to Andrew le Seler, and the 6 *denarii* annually to the Priory. One small house and one cott for the use of Ricardus de la Triwe, are also exempted from the transfer, showing that this portion, and certainly the whole estate was of some extent.

Ricardus de Clauton, certainly for forty years (occurs in 1228, *lxxiv*), played a considerable part in the history of Totnes. At an early period he served as Provost, and, judging by the number of deeds he witnessed for the monks—his name occurs in some twenty-five deeds—he was, in his day, a pillar of the Priory. From mention of his widow, Margerita (*xci*), we know that he died about the year 1268, and it may have been during his last illness that on Monday before the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle (21 December) 1267, he granted to the Priory all his land "de la Trywe," excepting the pair of white gloves which he had undertaken to render annually to "Henricus de Snaudon" and his heirs, and 2 *denarii* Estergavel due to the lord of Tottonia, which, for some reason, are not mentioned in the previous conveyance. In spite of this gift by deed, his widow, Margerita, must have retained a legal claim on the estate, because on Monday, 15th April, 1269, in consideration of a quit claim, Prior Nicholaus undertakes to pay her 10 *solidi* to be cancelled if any claim is made against the estate.

What appears to have been the remaining portion of the estate was given to the Priory certainly subsequent to the appointment of Vicar Petrus to the church of Tottonia on the 23rd November, 1268, but most probably in 1269, by Thomas de Strete. Thomas de Strete was a contemporary, and we may well believe, the life-long friend of Ricardus de Clauton, as he is the third witness to both Richard's last grant to the Priory (*xc*), and also to the quit claim of his widow in the following year.

He probably succeeded Ricardus de Clauton as Provost (*Tot. Mun. Deed.* I), and occurs in some seventeen deeds; the last appears to be his gift to the Priory, suggesting another death-bed offering to mother church. Amicia de la Trywe, from whom Thomas de Strete obtained his share of the estate, and presumably therefore, his wife, must have pre-deceased him, as no quit claim was obtained by the Priory, as in the case of Ricardus de Clauton.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxiv. "de la Triwe" 1.

I Humfredus de la Triwe chaplain have given, etc., to God and to the church of Saint Mary of Totonia, etc., six *denarii* annually to be paid from my land "de la Triwe" for my soul and of my father and mother and of my ancestors on the Assumption of the Blessed Mary. I have confirmed the present writing by appending my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Rogerus the monk; 2 I . . . Marvel; 3 Walterus the vicar; 4 Ricardus Ballard; 5 Martinus the chaplain; 6 Ricardus Clautone, and many others.

Appended parchment tag, but no seal.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxv. "de la Triwe" 2.

I Marioc daughter of Margery de la Triwe who was the wife of Henricus de Snoudon (see below) in my widowhood have remitted, etc., to the Lord Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia, etc., the whole right and claim which I have, etc., in the land with appurtenances outside the town of Tottonia which is called————which I and Henricus de Snoudon, formerly my husband, formerly held. Retaining nothing, etc., in the said land. For this quit claim, etc., the said Prior and Convent have given us two *solidi* sterling hand money. To this writing I have appended my seal.

1 Warinus de Sicca villa, knight; 2 Robertus le Deneys, knight; 3 Robertus de Mallestone; 4 Walterus le Bon; 5 Walterus le Bastard; 6 Michael de Mallestone; 7 Iohannes de Fonte, and others.

Appended parchment tag, from which seal has apparently been broken. This deed is much damaged by damp stain.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxvi. "de la Triwe" 3.

I Mariota daughter of Margeria de la Trywe who was the wife of Henricus de Snowdon in my widowhood have given, etc., to Lord Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia, etc., all my land with appurtenances outside the town of Tottonia which is called "la Trywe" namely with that part which I and Henricus de Snowdon formerly my husband once held.

To hold and to have to the said Prior, etc., to give sell or assign to whom, etc., they wish. Paying yearly to me and my heirs one pair of white gloves or one *obolum* (half *a denarium*) at Easter for all secular service, etc., except service due to the lord of Tottonia. For this gift, etc., the aforenamed Prior and Convent have given me fifty *solidi* sterling hand money whilst I and my heirs undertake to warranty the said land, etc., to the said Prior, etc., and I have confirmed this charter by the witness of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Warinus de Sicca Villa, knight; 2 Robertus le Deneys, knight; 3 Robertus de Mallestone; 4 Walterus le Bon; 5 Thomas de Strete; 6 Michael de Mallestone; 7 Benedictus le Bon, and others.

Appended parchment tag from which seal has been broken.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxvii. "de la Triwe" 4.

I Henricus de Snoudone have given, etc., to Ricardus de Clauton all my land with appurtenances outside the town of Tottonia called "la Truwe" namely that land which Walterus de la Truwe formerly held in tenure of borough (*in burgagio*) excepting one small house and one cott belonging to it which Ricardus de la Truwe formerly held. To hold and to have, etc., whilst paying yearly to me and my heirs a pair of white gloves at Easter for all services excepting service to the lord of Tottonia and excepting one pair of white gloves annually to Andrew le Seler of Tottonia at Easter and excepting six *denarii* annually to the Prior of Tottonia at the festival of Saint Michael. For this gift the aforesaid Ricardus has given me four marcs sterling between the four walls of the Guildhall of Tottonia in recognition whilst I the aforesaid Henricus hold to warranty, etc., the aforesaid land, etc., to the aforementioned Ricardus. And if I the said Henricus am unable to warranty, etc., we undertake to give in exchange from the land at Snoudon to the value of the aforesaid land de la Truwe. I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Martinus de Fisacre; 2 Robertus de Freynus then constable of Tottonia; 3 Walterus Bonus; 4 Gwido de Wasseburne; 5 Ricardus son of Adam Albus then provost of Tottonia; 6 Thomas de Strete; 7 Robertus le Bastard; 8 Robertus de Clauton; 9 Walterus clerk of Tottonia, and others.

Appended parchment tag—part of a written deed—from which a green wax seal has been broken.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxviii. "de la Triwe" 5.

I Thomas de Strete have given, etc., to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks, etc., for the safety of the souls of my father and mother all my right and claim which I have, etc., in a certain parcel (*portumclam*) of land, etc., "ad la Trywe" which I had by gift from Amicia de la Trywe which lies between the land of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia and the road which leads from Tottonia towards Garston. To hold and to have from me, etc., to the said Prior, etc., without retaining any service by law, rent, or claim, etc.. And I have caused my seal to be appended to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Petrus vicar of Tottonia (appointed 23rd November, 1268); 2 Walterus le Bon; 3 Robertus de Mallestone; 4 Michael of the same (de Mallestone); 5 Benedictus le Bon; 6 Walterus Scot then provost of Tottonia; 7 Ricardus the clerk, and others.

Appended parchment tag, from which, apparently, a green wax seal has been broken away.

Tot. Pr. Deed lxxxix. "de la Triwe" 6.

I Rika daughter of Alexander the clerk and Alvena his wife have given, etc., to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks a house with appurtenances in the town of Tottonia which Alexander my father with the consent of Alvena my mother gave to the said monks namely that (house) which is near the land which Hemericus the smith held between the road which stretches towards the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene and the road which stretches towards the land "de la Trewe." And be it noted that I hold to warranty the said house, etc., and have confirmed the present writing by the impression of my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus the smith then provost of Tottonia; 2 Nicholaus de la Ya; 3 Ricardus Stile; 4 Willelmus de Fonte; 5 Iohannes Knillebule; 6 Nicholaus de Dunhelm; 7 Robertus de Dertemue, and many others.

Appended small parchment tag, but no seal.

This deed should chronologically follow lxi, during the provostship of Robertus the smith.

Tot. Pr. Deed xc. "de la Triwe" 7. 1267.

Ricardus de Clauton greeting, etc. Be it known that I have given, etc., to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks, etc., all my land "de la Trywe." To hold and to have, etc. Whilst the aforesaid monks shall render a pair of white gloves at Easter or

one "*obelum*" to Henricus de Snaudon and his heirs and to the Lord of Tottonia two *denarii* at Easter as a certain payment called Estergavel. And I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by;

1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Willelmus de Boneville; 3 Thomas de Strete; 4 Iohannes de Fonte; 5 Benedictus le Bon; 6 Walterus Scot; 7 Walterus le Bastard, and others.

Drawn up and dated on the Monday next before the festival of Saint Thomas the Apostle (21st December) in the year of grace 1267.

Appended parchment tag, but no seal.

Tot. Pr. Deed xci. "de la Triwe" 8. 1269.

Margerita the widow of Ricardus de Clauton greeting, etc. Be it known that I have remitted and quit claimed to Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place all right which may have been granted me by name of dowry or otherwise in the land "de la Trywe." On condition however that if I Margeria or anyone on my account shall exact anything of right or claim in the said land that thenceforth the aforesaid Prior and Convent shall pay me nothing of the ten *solidi* which they have undertaken to pay me by their common deed. In witness whereof I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Thomas de Strete; 4 Benedictus le Bon; 5 Walterus Bastard clerk, and others.

Drawn up on Monday on the morrow of Saints Tiburcius and Valerian (14th April) in the 53rd year of the reign of King Henry the son of King John (1269).

Appended parchment tag from which seal has probably been broken.

Tot. Pr. Deeds xcii-xciv.

Three deeds, fouud tied together, form the record of the acquisition by Prior Nicholaus from the family "de Altaribus" of property valuable owing to its proximity to the Priory. The earliest of the three deeds (*xciv*) is that of Iohannes de Altaribus, son of Sarra de Altaribus, and was written previous to 1268, possiby in 1267, and by which Iohannes grants to Prior Nicholaus and the Convent a tenement in Tottonia, situated between the land formerly held by Robertus Niger the smith, and that of Adam de Brodeche. The tenement consists of an "*aula*," or large room, with a chamber adjoining, and opened on to a passage (*hostium*) leading towards the street. The donor also grants the half of a yard or curtilage adjoining the said *aula*, into which an entrance opened. The yard was

evidently to be shared between this building, granted to the Priory, and another tenement which Iohannes retained for his own use. The maintenance of a drain (*guttarium*) was to be shared equally between the two tenements. Iohannes further grants a certain portion of his terrace or gallery (*solarium*) for the enlargement of the terrace of the Prior. The houses probably adjoined, and either a balcony or, as is to be seen in the High Street at the present day, part of a row or covered way fronted the houses, and for some reason in this case a rather larger portion was to be allotted to that part granted to the Priory. The only conditions of the gift are that the Prior and Convent shall pay 12 *denarii*, presumably annually, to the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene on the anniversary of the Saint's day, and 2 silver marcs are given to Iohannes in recognition of the transaction. This grant was confirmed in a quit claim (*xciii*) given by Sarra de Altaribus, mother of Iohannes, during the vicariate of Walterus who is the first witness, and therefore previous to November 1268.

Finally, on the Monday after the festival of Saint Lucia the Virgin (13th December) 1268, Iohannes de Altaribus gives and quit claims to the newly appointed Petrus, Vicar of Tottonia, that tenement which he retained for his own use, and which, we are now told, is between the property of Ricardus Niger the smith, and the tenement held by the Priory. The vicar is to hold the house as from the wardens of the chapel of Saint Eadmundus martyr and confessor on the bridge of Tottonia, in other words they were to act as trustees of the property, and in recognition of the arrangement Vicar Petrus gave Iohannes 15 *solidi*.

Tot. Pr. Deed xcii. "Altaribus" 1. 1268.

I Iohannes de Altaribus have given, etc., and quit claimed to Lord Peter the chaplain Vicar of Tottonia all right and claim which I have, etc., in that tenement with its appurtenances in Tottonia which I have from the gift of Lord Walterus formerly Vicar of Tottonia and which is between the tenement which Ricardus Niger the smith held and the tenement which the Prior and Convent of Tottonia held. To hold and to have to him, etc., from the wardens of the chapel of the blessed (plural number) Eadmundus martyr and confessor on the bridge of Tottonia. Whilst retaining to me no service rent or claim. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Lord Petrus has given me fifteen *solidi* sterling in recognition. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Benedictus le Bon;

4 Thomas de Strete; 5 Walterus Scot; 6 Galfridus Dalm; 7 Stephanus Hag then provost of Tottonia, and others.

Drawn up at Tottonia on Monday next after the festival of the Blessed Lucia the Virgin (13th December) Anno Domini 1268.

Appended parchment tag, but no sign of seal.

Tot. Pr. Deed xciii. "Altaribus" 2. *post* 1260. *ante* 1268.

I Sarra de Altaribus have remitted and quit claimed all right and claim which I have had in a certain part of a tenement with appurtenances in the ville of Tottonia to Lord Nicholaus then Prior of Tottonia and to the convent of the same place, which (tenement) is situated between the land which Robertus Niger the smith formerly held and the tenement which Ada de Brodeche formerly held namely the whole "*aula*" of the tenement and the chamber (or upper gallery, "*camera*") of the same belonging to the said tenement with free entry and exit to the same curtilage and a certain part of the solar of which according to metes and bounds arranged concerning all the aforesaid between my son Iohannes and the said Prior and Convent.

To hold and to have to the said Prior, etc., as the charter of my son Iohannes, arranged with the said Prior, etc., concerning the said tenement, better shall set forth without any contradiction or questioning on my part. In witness of which I have set my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Walterus vicar of Tottonia (previous to November, 1268); 2 Walterus le Bon; 3 Willelmus de Boneville; 4 Iohannes de Fonte; 5 Robertus de Dertemue; 6 Galfridus de la Stocke; 7 Petrus the clerk, and others.

Appended parchment tag, which has probably carried seal, but now bears no trace.

Tot. Pr. Deed xciv. "Altaribus" 3.

I Iohannes de Altaribus son of Sarra de Altaribus have given, etc., to Lord Nicholaus then Prior of Tottonia and to the Convent of the same place a certain part, written below, of a tenement with appurtenances in Tottonia as per metes and bounds arranged between us which tenement is situated between the land which Robertus Niger the smith formerly held and the land which Adam de Brodeche formerly held namely the whole *aula* of the tenement with the chamber adjoining the same hall and with full entry and exit of the large passage (*hostium*) towards the street (*vicum*) so namely that neither I nor my heirs can have entrance or exit through the said passage. And the half of the whole curtilage with

appurtenances belonging to the said tenement by metes and bounds arranged between us with free entrance and exit to the said curtilage from the aforesaid *aula*. On condition that is to say that the same entry and exit may be public for ever to the said curtilage from the said *aula* and from my tenement which I have retained for the use of myself and my heirs who are in possession at the time of arranging this writing. And a certain part of my terrace [*solarium*—the terrace or gallery of a house (à sole). The same word, of different derivation, means a ground rent,] for the enlargement of the terrace of the said Prior and Convent according to metes and bounds arranged between us. To hold and to have to the said Prior, etc., retaining no service by law rent or claim to me or my heirs.

The said Prior and Convent, etc., paying however twelve *denarii* sterling and to the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Tottonia on the day of Saint Mary Magdalene for all services, etc. And be it known that I Iohannes and my heirs undertake to find half the total cost of the maintenance of a drain (*guttarium*) beween the aforesaid *aula* and the tenement which I have retained for the use of myself and of my heirs. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Prior and Convent have given me two marcs of silver hand money whilst I Iohannes and my heirs hold to warranty the above mentioned, etc., to the Prior and Convent. I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus le Bon; 2 Ricardus de Clauton; 3 Willelmus de Boneville; 4 Thoma de Strete; 5 Iohannes de Fonte; 6 Robertus de Dertem(ue); 7 Petrus the clerk, and others.

Appended parchment tag with traces of green wax seal.

Tot. Pr. Deed xcv. 1269.

I Willelmus de Cobbetone have given, etc., to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there for the safety of my soul and of the souls of my father and mother and of Edonia my wife and of Iohannes my son, etc., thirteen *denarii* annual rent to be received by the hand of the Sub-prior whoever for the time may be from that house in Tottonia which is situated between the house which Galfridus Franne formerly held and the house which belonged to Iohannes de Fonte that is to say on the Monday next before the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. And the same Sub-prior and Convent on the same Monday for ever shall solemnly celebrate mass for the soul of the said Iohannes my son and of all the faithful dead and whoever on the anniversary day takes part in the service shall do the full office for the

soul of the said Iohannes. I the aforesaid Willelmus and my heirs, etc., and whoever shall hold the aforesaid house undertake to warranty the aforesaid rent to the aforesaid monks, etc. I have appended a seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Petrus, then Vicar of Tottonia; 2 Michael de Mallestone; 3 Walterus Scot; 4 Robertus Tylia; 5 Walterus Blundus; 6 Galfridus Alyn; 7 Henricus Scot, and many others. Dated and drawn up on Tuesday next after the festival of the Blessed Matthew the Apostle (21st September) Anno Domini 1269.

Appended parchment tag on which are traces of green wax.

Whether due to the influence of Prior Nicholaus to the energy of their parish priest Petrus the Vicar or to the religious zeal of the time, the good townsmen of Tottonia seem to have vied with one another to bestow their worldly possessions on the Benedictines established in their midst. According to the above deed, Willelmus de Cobbetone and Edonia his wife had evidently just lost their son Iohannes. The Sub-prior of the monks at the time, whose name is not recorded, for it had ceased to be the custom—perhaps it was not politic—to record their names as witnesses, was, we may judge, a friend of the donor, as we find it especially enjoined that an annuity of thirteen *denarii* is to be received by the Sub-prior, whoever for the time may be, on Monday before the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the same Sub-prior, and the Convent assembled shall on that day celebrate mass for the soul of Iohannes, and all taking part in the service on that day, shall join in the same. Why Monday before the 2nd February was chosen is not explained; it is doubtful if it represents the day of the son's death, but more likely the anniversary of his name's-day (the festival of Iohannes Chrysostomos, Father of the Church, was celebrated 27th January), or the day on which he was christened, such a date in former times being considered a greater festival than even the birthday.

The thirteen *denarii*, perhaps signifying the Prior and the twelve monks of which the fraternity consisted, were secured for all time upon a house in Tottonia, situated between the house of Galfridus Franne and the house of Iohannes de Fonte. The latter was a witness to the preceding Deed (xciv), but was absent on this occasion.

Tot. Pr. Deed xcvi. 1270.

Anno Domini 1270 on the festival of the Nativity of John the Baptist (24th June) it was agreed between the Prior and Convent of Tottonia on

the one part and the Prioress and Convent of Corneworthi on the other namely that the aforesaid Prior, etc., have transferred, etc., to the aforesaid Prioress, etc., all their tithes in the parish of Corneworthi excepting mill tithes and the customs on the fishery from the parish of Corneworthi which tithes and customs the aforesaid Prior, etc., are accustomed to have in the aforesaid parish. To hold and to have to the aforesaid Prioress, etc. For which transfer, etc., the aforesaid Prioress, etc., undertakes to pay to the aforesaid Prior, etc., fourteen *solidi* sterling every year at the two terms of the year namely at Easter or within the octave seven *solidi* and at the Nativity of the Blessed Iohannes the Baptist seven *solidi* or within the octave of his festival in the conventual church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia without further delay. And in case of non-payment the Prioress and Convent and all their goods shall be subject to distraint by the Archdeacon of Tottonia or his officials for the amount of the aforesaid payment of fourteen *solidi* and also half a marc of silver for their expenses, etc. The aforesaid Prior and Convent, etc., hold to warranty the aforesaid transfer, etc., to the aforesaid Prioress, etc. And for the greater security of this transfer either party have appended their seals alternately to this writing cut into two parts.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Willelmus de Ferariis, knight; 2 Herbertus de Morceles, knight; 3 Willelmus de Fissacre, knight; 4 Rogerus de Proville, knight; 5 Walerandus de Cyrecestre, knight; 6 Walterus le Bon; 7 Willelmus de Colested, and others.

Appended to parchment tag seal of green wax, the upper part of the impression showing a gate house with belfry and two side crockets, below two quatrefoil windows with a central niche between, the lower part of the building is defaced.

Tot. Pr. Deeds xcvii-xcix.

Three deeds (specified as "Martinus" 1-3) occur at this period 1270-71, the exact purport or explanation of which involves considerable conjecture. They were tied together and refer to a district called variously "Foggeslond, Faggeslond, Flaggeslond, Flaggelond, Faghislond (p. 65) and Fagellond (p. 73)," and what is probably part of the same district known as "la Leghe," if this is the case the locality of the Stert as suggested (p. 29), and Leigh, west of the Harbourne river probably contained Fageslonde. As is usually the case the deeds appear to be in reverse order and No. xcix opens the transaction which sets forth that at Exeter on Friday before the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary (2nd February), 1270, Martinus son of Serlo de Foggeslond obtained a mortgage of thirty

marcs sterling from Edwardus son of Rogerus Herbertus on a certain inn (*mansio*) in Flaggeslond. The word "*mansio-nis*" is invariably used, it may signify a farmhouse, but there seems to have been no manor in the Domesday sense of the word. The second deed which is sealed but not dated (*xcviii*) is a complete quit-claim of all right in the same inn in Flaggelond granted for the consideration of twenty marcs by Martinus son of Serlo de Faggeslond, to Eduardus son of Rogerus Herbertus. By this transaction Edward became owner of the property. There is no record that he gave it over to the Priory or that he was a member of the community, but we are within a decade of the Statute of Mortmain and already the religious houses may have found it advisable to acquire additions to their property by indirect means. We know the rulers of the wealthy monasteries were also at times the bankers of the day, and in this case we may be sure the fifty marcs came from the Priory chest, that Edward merely conducted the transaction for the Prior and that the third document (*xcvii*), a general quit-claim of right in the whole land of Flaggeslond and la Leghe, given by Matinus [*sic*] son of Serlo de Faggeslond to Nicholaus, Prior of Tottonia, secured to the Priory the whole property.

The derivation of Faggeslond is as obscure as the site. From the termination the word is of Anglo-Saxon origin. The prefix may be the original owner's name "the land of Fagge," or, it may be that the distinguishing adjective "fag" might give it the meaning of "the varied coloured land," or perhaps it meant the land on which *flags* or reeds grew—a word of obscure etymology—but this meaning is in part supported by the accompanying word "la Leghe" which meant the meadow. The district was probably low-lying, well watered, and only suitable for grazing land.

Tot. Pr. Deed xcvii. "Martinus" 1.

Matinus [*sic*] son of Serlo de Faggeslond greeting. Be it known that I have quit claimed, etc., to Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and to the Convent of the same place all my right and claim which I have, etc., in the whole land of Flaggeslond and in la Leghe with all its appurtenances. So that neither I nor my heirs, etc., are able to exact neither service nor rent, etc., in all the aforesaid land of Flaggeslond and la Leghe. For this remission and quit claim the aforesaid Prior and Convent of Tottonia have to pay me ten *solidi* sterling hand money in recognition. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Robertus le Deneys, knight; 2 Lord Petrus de Fyssacre, knight; 3 Robertus de Malestone; 4 Ricardus de Binnelegh; 5 Iohannes de Fonte; 6 Walterus le Bastard; 7 Robertus Tylye, and others.

Appended round seal, 1¼ inches in diameter, of dark green wax; centre device eight foliated star, inscription round, in very crude letters, probably read S. MARTINI FILII SERLE.

Tot. Pr. Deed xcviii. "Martinus" 2.

Martinus son of Serlo de Faggeslond greeting. Be it known that I have remitted and quit claimed all my right and claim which I have, etc., in an inn (*mansioni*) in Flaggelond to Eduardus son of Rogerus Herbertus and his heirs, etc. For this quit claim the aforesaid Eduardus has given me twenty marcs sterling hand money in recognition. And if I the aforenamed Martinus, etc., by any device wish to deprive the said Eduardus of the said inn, then we undertake to pay to the said Eduardus thirty marcs sterling before they undertake to satisfy the said Martin, etc., in any way.

I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Iohannes de Alba Marla; 2 Rogerus de Proville; 3 Warinus de Boduineri; 4 Laurentius le Noreys (possibly, the "gloomy"); 5 Hugo de Donne, and others.

Appended a small round seal, one inch in diameter, of brown wax; centre device possibly intended for a ship, shaped like a half-moon, with central mast, two stays running from top to each end of the vessel; the inscription round is quite illegible.

Tot. Pr. Deed xcix. "Martinus" 3. 1270.

Martinus son of Serlo de Foggeslond greeting. Be it known that I have remitted and quit claimed to Eduardus son of Rogerus Herbertus, etc., all my right and quit claim, etc., in a certain inn with appurtenances in Flaggeslond for thirty marcs sterling which the aforesaid Eduardus has given me in recognition. I will and grant that if at any time on my account the aforesaid Eduardus shall incur expenses by reason of me attempting to acquire the aforesaid inn the Sheriff of Devon or his bailiffs or any other bailiffs which the said Eduardus may appoint shall levy distraint daily on all my goods until the aforesaid thirty marcs shall have been fully paid to the aforesaid Eduardus. And for the same distraint I will that no administration shall be undertaken by my executors until half a marc of silver as fine is paid to the aforesaid Eduardus. And furthermore I disclaim any exception, delay, etc.

In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this writing.

Given at Exeter on Friday next before the Purification of the Blessed Mary (2nd February) in the 54th year of the reign of King Henry (1270).

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Alba Marla; 2 Warinus de Bodetune; 3 Martinus Bodyn; 4 Thomas in la Mora; 5 Wyot Crocka, and others.

Parchment tag, but no seal attached.

Tot. Pr. Deed c.

Be it known that we Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place have given to Michael Cola of Kyngeswere a piece of land with appurtenances in the territory of Kyngeswere which lies between the land of the Abbat and Convent of Torre on the west side and the land of Willelmus le Frense on the east side and the land of Mauricius Priur on the south side and adjoins the main road on the north side. To hold and to have to the said Michael his heirs or to whomever he may assign except (for the purpose of) a religious or Jewish site, etc. Rendering us annually six *denarii* sterling at the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary for all service excepting two services at our Court of Uppetonne annually namely at the feast of Saint Michael and at the Hockeday on a reasonable summons of eight days and excepting regal service when it shall take place in the said land. For this gift, etc., the said Nicholaus has given us two *solidi* sterling hand money whilst we undertake to warranty the aforesaid piece of land. We have alternately appended our seals to this duplicated writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Willelmus de Fissacre; 2 Petrus de Fissacre; 3 Wido de Restercumbe; 4 Herbertus Bozun; 5 Walterus Witebi; 6 Oliverus de Kyngestone; 7 Oliverus Tove, and others.

Appended on broad parchment tag round seal, two inches in diameter; central device apparently a figure seated on a bench facing; the surrounding inscription is illegible.

Tot. Pr. Deed ci.

Be it known that I Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place have given, etc., to Galfridus Seriannt for his service and homage a tenement in the ville of Kingeswere with buildings upon it and with all its appurtenances which lies in width between the tenement of the heirs of Willelmus de Kingestone and of Petrus le Brun and extending in length towards the hill as far as the curtillage of Mauricius Prior and descending in the lower part towards the sea as far as the curtillage which

formerly Mauricius Gannt held. To hold and to have to him, his heirs and to whomever he may assign excepting (for the purpose of) a religious or Jewish site, etc. Whilst paying annually to us, etc., four *solidi* sterling at the four principal terms of the year namely at the festival of Saint Michael twelve *denarii* at the birth of the Lord twelve *denarii* at Easter twelve *denarii* at the nativity of the Blessed John the Baptist twelve *denarii* for all service, etc., excepting two services at our Court annually at Upton by reasonable summons of eight days namely the Court of Saint Michael and the Court of la Hockeday. For this gift, etc., the said Galfridus has given us a talent of gold hand money in recognition whilst we undertake to warranty the aforesaid tenement, etc. We have ratified the present charter, divided in two parts, by appending our seals, of which one part remains in our possession and the other in possession of the said Galfridus.

Witnessed by:

1 Herbertus Breton; 2 Walterus Witeby; 3 Symon le Felag; 4 Walterus Martin; 5 Petrus le Brun; 6 Iordanus Gorwet; 7 Oliverus de Kingeston, and others.

Appended parchment tag, but no trace of seal; probably broken off.

Tot. Pr. Deed cii.

I Alicia formerly wife of Robert de Clauton have remitted and in all quit claimed to Nicholaus then Prior of Tottonia and to the Convent of the same place all right and claim which I have had, etc., in a certain tenement in the town of Tottonia which belonged formerly to Ricardus de Clauton which lies between the tenement which Thomas de Strete held and the tenement which Nicholaus le Coyt formerly held. Retaining neither service nor rent to me. I have appended my seal to the present deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Robertus le Denys, knight; 2 Walterus le Bon; 3 Benedictus le Bon; 4 Andreius de Wyt; 5 Iohannes Wade, and others.

Appended well preserved oval seal on parchment tag. The seal, of light brown colour, measures one inch by three-quarter inch; central device, an elongated star; the inscription round commences S. ALICIE; the remaining letters, without a key, are difficult to identify.

1270. 13th June. Sir Roger de Fontibus was admitted Prior of Tywardreath, and it was in his time, therefore, and not when Galfridus was Prior, (Oliver *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 34) that Pope Nicholas III, 6th April, 1278,

confirmed all the former rights and immunities of the Convent. The installation of this Prior is recorded as "*ad presentacionem Domini Regis Allemannie et Abbatis Sancti Sergii.*" (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 278.)

1270-1. 27th February on Friday following the festival of St. Matthias Bishop Bronescombe in the presence of a large multitude received *seisin* of the house and garden of Walterus le Bon and his wife Agatha and commanded that a chapel should be built there in the name of the Holy Ghost and of Saint Catherine the Virgin.

1271. 22nd September in London Bishop Bronescombe committed to the care of Ricardus de Lym chaplain the Hospital of Tottonia founded in honour of the Holy Ghost near the shore of Tottonia through the charity of Walterus le Bon and Agatha his wife.

In a record of taxation of the churches belonging to Thorre Abbey "on the occasion when the tithe of the same was given to the King and when the official of the Archbishop of Canterbury came into these parts" the church of Hanok (Hennock) is valued at viii marcs with 2 *solidi* due to the Prior of Totton (*Cart. Thorre Abbey*, fo. 169b).

Tot. Pr. Deed ciii. 1276. Frater Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place greeting. Be it known that we have remitted and quit-claimed, etc., to the Abbat and Convent of Torre, etc., all right and claim which we have, etc., in the tithe of Hokesbeare and whatever other tithes in their parish of Hyanok together with one acre of land in Kingeswere which the said Abbat and Convent of Torre have by gift of Prior Petrus of Tottonia our predecessor retaining to ourselves no right or claim excepting twelve *denarii* annually at the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin from the aforesaid acre of ground for all secular service, etc. In witness of which thing we have alternately appended our seals to the present letters divided into two parts of which the one part remains the possession of the aforesaid Abbat and Convent of Torre and the other our possession.

Witnessed by;

1 Lord Robertus le Denys knight; 2 Lord Willelmus de Fyssakre knight; 3 Lord Warinus de Sicca Villa knight; 4 Walterus le Bon; 5 Robertus de Mallestonne; 6 Michael de Mallestonne; 7 Walterus le Bastard, and others.

Given at Tottonia on the Saturday next before the festival of Saint Gregory the Pope (12th March) in the year of grace 1276.

Appended two small green wax seals. The left hand seal, of which only the top half remains, was oval, probably one and a half inches long by

three-quarters wide. Central device is a figure with what might be a pastoral staff in left hand. The letters SIGILL . . . ORE suggest that it was probably the seal of the Abbat of Torre (Ricardus, 1270 occurs also 1301).

Of the second seal rather more is preserved; also oval, it measured originally one and a half inches by one inch. The central device appears to be the figure of Death with scythe over the right shoulder and a shroud held up in left hand, a star appears in sinister above the shroud, a crescent in lower dexter side below the right arm. Inscription reads:—
S.CONVEN . . . DETORRE.

On reverse of deed in one kind of faint ink "Charter of the Abbat of Torre." In blacker ink, "Note concerning twelve *denarii* rent which the Abbat of Torre must pay for one acre land in Kyngeswer'."

1284. 5. On 18th May, a Robertus de Malleston and Muriel his wife were defendants in a case brought against them by Alice, widow of Gregory de la Hele, as to one mesuage, one acre of land, and five acres of meadow in Marwenechurche (*Feet of Fines*, C. 301).

Wardens of the Chapel of the Holy Ghost and of Saint Catherine the Virgin, also known as the Hospital of the Holy Trinity, at Warlond, near Totnes.

Ricardus de Lym, chaplain, collated 22nd September, 1271.

Licence granted by Bishop Quivil to the Warden, but it is not possible to identify whether this was to the same chaplain, 16th June, 1286.

Frater Adam, collated 13th July, 1328.

Frater Thomas Persone, priest of the house of Hondeslowe, collated 28th June, 1378.

Frater Hugh Heynes, of the monastery of Houndyslowe, collated 8th April, 1401.

Frater William Nywentone "of the monastery of Eston (Easton, Wilts)," collated 27th September, 1427.

Frater Nicholas Lynyete, of the monastery of Houndyslowe, collated 11th July, 1437.

Richard Dobyns, *alias* Tabyn, collated 24th May, 1474.

Nicholas Byll, collated 26th October, 1503.

The chapel was appropriated by Bishop Hugh Oldham to the priest vicars of Exeter, 12th January, 1509.

Dr. Oliver quotes a bull of Pope Honorius III (1216-1227) directed to Frater William and his brethren, granting the privilege of burial to the

houses of the order of the Holy Trinity. There is nothing to point that this power was confirmed by the Bishop of Exeter or ever exercised in the case of the chapel of Warlond. Bishop Peter Quivil on the 16th June, 1286, granted a full license to the Warden of the house of the Holy Trinity in La Worlond, near Tottonia, but the original document is so indistinct that the purpose of the license cannot be established.

On a fly-leaf in the beginning of Bishop Bronescombe's Register is a note that in the month of August at Clist (the Bishop was at Clyst in August 1372, 1373, 1375, 1385, 1388, 1392, 1393, and 1394) Lord Nicholaus Braybroke handed over to Bishop Thomas de Brantyngham certain memoranda, and among others "a box containing the deeds of the houses of the Trinity of Tottonia and of Cryditonia" (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 287).

1270-1. 28th February on Saturday after the Feast of St. Matthias, Bishop Bronescombe held an ordination, by general summons made by the Archdeacon, at Tottonia. This was the Bishop's fourth and last visit in nearly twenty-two and a half years.

1271. 27th March a certain Robert de Tottonia was collated to a prebend of six marcs at Crediton and again on the 27th March, 1273.

1272. 16th November King Henry III died and Bishop Walter Bronescombe with his old friend Godfrey Gifford, Bishop of Worcester, proceeded in the following May, 1273, to meet King Edward I on his return from the Holy Land.

1273. 4th May, Thursday after the festival of the Apostles Filippus and Iacobus William de Mallebiri, chaplain, was installed Vicar of Broadclyst by Bishop Bronescombe.

1274. May to July the Bishop was present at the 14th General Council, holden at Lyons.

The Grey Friars of Bodmin venerated Bishop Bronescombe as their special benefactor. (*Reg. Bp. Bronescombe Preface*, fo. xvi).

1274. 12th September on Wednesday after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, Bartholomew a priest was installed Vicar of Broadclyst by Bishop Bronescombe.

1276. 26th March on the eve of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary, Sir Michael de Leghe, priest, was installed Vicar of Ashprington by Bishop Bronescombe.

1276. 4th August, through the patronage of the Prior and Convent of St. Nicholas Exeter, Nicholas de Tottonia, priest, was installed Rector of St. Olave's Exeter, by Bishop Bronescombe. On the 28th January, 1279-80, by the gift of Sir John de Exonia he was removed to the rectory of Rewe.

Tot. Pr. Deed civ. 1277.

Drawn up in the cemetery of Saint Michael of Little Hemestonne on Monday next before the festival of the Epiphany of the Lord (6th January) in the year of grace 1277 before us H. de Bolleg Archdeacon of Tottonia, etc., in the matter between the religious men Lord Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the one part and the Lady Anastasia Prioress of Cornworthy and the Convent of the same place on the other, etc., for the abatement of the half of all tithes of increase from the ancient domains namely from the domain of Clauton, of Fernhille and of Loveworthy situated in the parish of Clauton. And for the abatement of certain tithes at Cornworthy which tithes in which places the same Prior and Convent have been accustomed formerly to receive, etc. On the part of the Prioress, etc., it was affirmed that since she, etc., had undertaken to pay annually twelve *solidi* for the abatement of the said tithes of Clautonne and fourteen *solidi* annually for the abatement of the tithes of Cornworthy now for three years unjustly had abstained from paying the said payments, etc., the Prior now claimed seventy six *solidi*. And by the consent of the Prioress, etc., payments ought to be subtracted from the vicar of Clautonne of any payment from Clautonne. And since this was disputed in the presence of the vicar of Clautonne and other faithful we find that nothing ought to be deducted. And that the said seventy six *solidi* arrears and forty *solidi* expenses incurred in the Court of Canterbury are to be paid. And that the said Prioress, etc., shall be compelled by the public official of Tottonia to make the said payments. In witness of which thing the seal of our office is appended.

Appended upper portion of small brown wax seal.

The church of Little Hempston, rebuilt in 1439 (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, Vol. iii, fo. 198), is recognised as dedicated to St. John the Baptist. Oliver also gives this dedication in his Register (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 449). The above deed certainly points to the earlier church having been dedicated to St. Michael. The advowson was in the gift of the Abbess and Convent of Canonsleigh.

The rectors of Little Hempston recorded in the Bishop's Register are:

John "*dictus Ruffus*" collated 13th April, 1264.

Sir William de Wyke collated 18th February, 1284-5.

Walter de Cherde occurs 21st December, 1308.

John le Mareschal clerk (ordained priest 22nd December, 1313) inst. 30th December, 1312.

Sir William occurs 30th September, 1315 (probably an error).

Richard de Sancto Martino clerk inst. 7th August, 1320, died 21st December, 1322.

Sir John Kene priest inst. 28th February, 1322-3.

Nicholas Stoketone priest inst. 11th July, 1363, occurs 12th February, 1371-2, also 24th March, 1376-7.

William (Julyan) died 1425-6.

Sir Alexander Beare chaplain inst. 13th January, 1425-6.

Sir John Polpoke chaplain inst. 30th January, 1433-4.

H. de Bolleg. This Archdeacon of Totnes is mentioned in Oliver's list (*Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 291) as Henry de Bolleeo, occurring in a deed of Bishop Quivil's on 3rd February, 1283-4. He was collated to the Archdeaconry of Totnes on 25th December, 1275, in succession to Sir Thomas de Hertfort, and resigned on his promotion to the Archdeaconry of Cornwall in 1284. His successor to Totnes, Master Thomas de Bodeham, was collated on 8th July, 1284. The name is transcribed from the Bishops' Registers as Magister Henry de Bolleghe. In August, 1275, Bishop Walter Bronescombe gave the church of Menstre (Minster) towards the perpetual maintenance of two chaplains, who should daily celebrate a mass in honour of St. Mary, and another for the Bishop and Magister Henricus de Bolle and Lord Walterus de Fermesham, etc., in the church of St. Thomas the Martyr, at Glasneya, which the Bishop had founded (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 48). Magister Henricus de Bollet was one of the first thirteen Canons of the Collegiate Church of Glasney, and is mentioned as the "prepositus" or provost of the house in 1272 (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 49). On 19th January, 1268, Henry de Bolhay occurs as Dean of St. Probus (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 59), and in his charter, sewn into the end of Bishop Bronescombe's Register, the name is spelt "Bollegha" (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 60).

1279. 6th November, a certain Sir William de Tottonia, chaplain, was collated Vicar of St. Neot's.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 82. **1280.** 2nd February. I Iohannes Aubyn of Dertem' have given to Hillarius Crok of Hardinasse a tenement which I received on the death of my mother Ysabella in Clifton from Ricardus filius Stephani situated between the tenement of Iohannes de Fonte on the north and the tenement which Thoma Yvo chaplain held on the south side. For this grant Hillarius has given me ten marcs sterling. In witness of which my seal together with the common seal of the "*villata*" of Dertemuth are appended.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Petrus de Fisacre then sen(eschal); 2 Iohanne Fauk; 3 Ricardo de Strete; 4 Iohanne de Cruce; 5 Philippo Rurda; 6 Iohanne de Fonte; 7 Roberto de Pole.

Dated at Dertem' on the day of the presentation of the Blessed Mary in the year of grace 1280 and in the ninth year of the reign of King Edward (I).

Appended two seals. One of green wax showing ship with sails.

The "*Sigillum Iohannis Aubyn*" shows a cross-crosslet as device.

The above deed, although not referring to Totnes, is given for the identification of names.

Tot. Pr. Deed cv. 1280. Be it known, etc., that since between Lord Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the one part and Lord Walterus Rector of the church of Lodeswille on the other, concerning half of the tithes of the domain of Lodeswille before the Lord Dean of Exeter a controversy would have been started however by the intervention of mutual friends peace was restored between them in this manner namely that the aforesaid Rector recognised all the aforesaid tithes should belong to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks serving God there and that they were belonging to them of old which same tithes it acknowledges were transferred from Petrus formerly Prior of Tottonia and by the Convent of the same place by payments at given terms for certain years. In witness of which thing the same rector has appended his seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Radulfus de Cheverestone, knight; 2 Lord Willelmus de Cheverestone, knight; 3 Willelmus Crispin, knight; 4 Robertus de Mallestone; 5 Iohannes de Newetone, and others.

Dated at Lodeswille on Wednesday next before the festival of Saint Barnabas the Apostle (11th June), Anno Domini 1280.

Appended parchment tag cut from top of another deed, no seal remains attached.

1280. 22nd July Bishop Walter Bronescombe died at Bishopsteignton.

1280. 10th November Peter Quivil, also an Exonian and a protégé of Bishop Bronescombe, was consecrated Bishop of Exeter by Richard Gravesend Bishop of London.

Tot. Pr. Deed cvi. 1281.

May the present and future know that Willelmus Coffyn has given, etc., to Iohannes Parson son of Willelmus Parson of Tottonia all that piece of land with all its appurtenances in Copenerislonde which lies between a certain stream which is called Redelake on the east side and the land of Mattheus Veale and Willelmus Parson on the west side. To have and to hold the aforesaid piece of land, etc., to the aforesaid Iohannes Parson, etc., from the capital lords of that fee, etc. Whilst rendering annually to the said lords of the fief rent and service according to law. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Iohannes has given me 6*s.* 8*d.* sterling hand money whilst I the aforesaid Willelmus, etc., undertake to warranty the aforesaid piece of land to the aforesaid Iohannes. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Pyl; 2 Willelmus Colyn; 3 Matheus Veale; 4 Augustinus Bastard; 5 Iohannes Tuck; 6 Iohannes Floyt; 7 Willelmus de la Wyke, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday next before the festival of Saint Matheus the Apostle (21st September) in the ninth year of the reign of King Edward, 1281.

Appended small round seal attached to parchment tag which has been stitched to deed for further security. The seal, which is cracked, is also bound together by a dried grass strand.

6. A John son of Geoffrey Floyt and Sarah his sister were in dispute with Henry Prior and his brothers William, Nicholas and Richard 5 June, 1244 (*Feet of Fines*, D. 398).

Tot. Pr. Deed cvii. 1281.

In the year of grace 1281 on the festival of Saint Michael it was agreed between Lord Nicholaus then Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the one part and Lord Andre' de Lodeswille chaplain on the other as follows

Brother Nicholaus Prior of Tottonia, etc., greeting. Be it known that by common consent we have transferred to Lord Andreus of Lodeswille chaplain all tithes great and little belonging to us and to our house in the parish of Alfinctonne namely from Rake, from Alwynstonne, from Edeltonne, from Portlemue and from Sure, which tithes are called anglicised (*anglicé*, a French word used in the Latin deed) Seynte Mariedel. The said Lord Andreus to receive (the same) from the aforementioned year to the end of five years following. Whilst paying annually to us, etc., four marcs of silver in the larger church of Tottonia on the festival of Saint

Michael the end of the first payment commencing on the festival of Saint Michael in the above year without further delay. If ever the said Andreus should be in arrear with above payment we are licensed to receive the aforesaid tithes without contradiction of the said Andreus. We wish moreover that the said Andreus be not able to transfer sell or assign the said tithes to the Canons of Sar' (Salisbury), etc., etc. If the said Andreus dies within the aforesaid term his executors undertake to restore the said four marcs or any part thereof due. We undertake to warranty the tithes to the said Andreius the chaplain. Which if we are not able to do or the said Andreius incurs expenses we undertake to restore the same subject to the arbitration of legal men. And at the end of the term the said tithes shall revert to us. In witness of which thing we have alternately appended our seals to the present duplicate deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Iohannes rector of the church of Churchestowe; 2 Robertus de Mallestone; 3 Petrus de la Bere; 4 Ricardus Fichet; 5 Michaelus de Mallestone, and others.

Appended parchment tag, from which seal is broken.

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed. 1281-2.

Plea of Quo Warranto before Solomon of Rochester Richard de Boyelond and his associates at Exeter.

Milisenta de Monte Alto claims to hold the Castle of Totton' with the fee adjacent and the Borough of Totton' of the Lord the King in chief, and to have there a free borough, free burgesses, a free market and fair, a pillory, tumbrel, and gallows, a free court, and other liberties and free customs appertaining to a free borough, market and fair, and amends of the assize of bread and ale broken, estray, infangenthef, utfangenthef, and wreck of the sea from the bridge of Totton' to Blakeston without Dertemue, and customs of ships and boats arriving there. Also she claims to have at her Castle of Totton' prises of bread, wine, and ale, and of other victuals when she shall be there, for forty days, and prises of brushwood coming to market throughout the year. Also she claims to have free warren in all her demesne lands in Devon. Also to plead in the said Court of Totton' dowers, metes broken, and reasonable purparty without writ among heirs within a year and a day. She holds the said borough in purparty with John Hastynges, who is under age and in the King's custody, and who has lands to (equal) value in other counties, of the inheritance of George de Cantilupo, brother of the said Milisenta, and uncle of the said John, which George died seized of the said liberties and

free customs. She also holds the manor of Corneworth, etc. Also various liberties at Dertemue (set out). She has a certain port at Dertemue as appertaining to her Castle of Totton'.

Milisenta de Mohaut was summoned to answer to the King by what warrant she holds the waterway (*filum aque*) of Dertemue and takes toll of men passing there, and divers other customs, without licence. She replies (by attorney) that she holds of the inheritance of George de Cantilupo, etc.

She was also summoned to answer by what warrant she claims to have view of frank pledge, gallows, amends of the assize of bread and ale broken, a tumbrel and pillory in Totton', and free warren and wreck of the sea in the demesne lands there, without licence. She says that she holds them of the said inheritance. Therefore it remains until, etc. (Recorded also in *Assize Roll*, 9-10 Edward I, Record Office).

Milisenta de Montalt held in 1285 (*Feud. Aids*) as chief tenant of the King, Loketon (*Domesday* Lochetona, *Lupton* in Cherston Ferrers), Cumb (*Domesday* Comba, *Combe Fishacre* in Ipplepen), Hemmeston Cauntelo (*Domesday* Hamistona, *Broad Hempston*), *Loventor* (*Domesday*, Lovenetorna).

1282-3. On the 10th March, Bishop Quivil visited Totnes, the first and only occasion recorded on which he came to the town. It is not known whether the Bishop held an ordination on this occasion, but it is doubtful as in the Itinerary compiled by the Rev. Hingston Randolph already on the same day he reached Paignton. "If he dedicated any Churches in either county there is no record of his having done so. His special interest and work were centred in his cathedral." So with the exception of this single visit, from 10th November, 1280, when Bishop Quivil was consecrated until his death 1st October, 1291, the Priory was not subject to any direct episcopal supervision. Of the succeeding fifteen and a half years, the bishopric of Thomas de Bytton (1st April, 1292, to 21st September, 1307), we know very little, the register being apparently lost.

1283. On the 4th May, by the patronage of Prior Nicholas and the Convent, William de Suttone, priest, was installed Vicar of Totnes by Bishop Quivil.

1283. 1st July, Bishop Quivil directs the Dean of Totnes to induct William le Bastard priest to the benefice of the Chapel of Saint Edmund King, upon the bridge of Tottonia. This appointment is made on the presentation of Lady Milsant de Monte Alto (Milicent de Montalt) under the special proviso that William le Bastard is not to interfere in the annual celebration appointed by Walterus formerly Vicar of the church of Tottonia and which annual service the Bishop assigns Lord Henricus Brean to perform (*Reg. Bp. Quivil*, fo. 358).

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed.

The exact date of the following occurrences is omitted, but they are given in the order as recorded by John Burhed. The year should probably be *ante* 1283.

In the —— year of the reign of King Edward son of Henry, on Tuesday before St. Thomas Apostle (21st December) John Gander came to the Chapel of St. Edmund on the bridge of Totton' and took away the vestments and fled to the manor of Byry. He was taken to prison, and died there.

In the —— year of the reign of King Edward son of Henry, on Saturday before the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (24th June) Richard le Rede of Lymyneford "*cidit Chopyn et capt cum burg*" [perhaps what is intended is that he paid "Chepgavell" (see page 153) and was admitted to citizenship].

In the —— year of the reign of King Edward son of Henry, on Tuesday before the Nativity of the Blessed Mary (8th September) sixty-six men unknown came to the Priory of Totton' and despoiled it. John and Henry le Tailleur joined the said malefactors, and were taken to Exeter Gaol.

PRIOR JOHN DE VENDAGIO.

1283-4.

12th March. On the presentation of the Abbot and Convent of St. Sergius at Angers, John de Vendagio was admitted Prior of Totnes.

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed 1283-4.

At the County (Court) at Exeter on Tuesday after the Nativity (25th December) in the eleventh year of King Edward, the Bailiff of the Hundred of Colrygge was ordered to attach the Bailiffs and all the Commonalty of Totton' to appear at the County (Court) to answer why they had not appeared before the Sheriff of Devon, Mattheus de Clyvedon, in his Tour at Totton' in that Hundred. They appeared at the next County (Court) on Tuesday the eve of St. Paul (25th January) and put themselves on an Inquisition that they ought not to attend the Sheriff's Tour.

On Tuesday on the eve of St. Peter in Cathedra (29th June) following the Bailiff of Colrugge returns that he had caused to be summoned the following who came to the aforesaid enquiry, namely:—Iohannes de Bynnaleghe, Iohannes de Donne, Ricardus de Bourlestonne, Iohannes de Waysshebornne, Nicholaus de Whitheslegh, Stephanus de Blakemore, Iohannes Avery, Martinus de Colyton, Radulphus Paty de Cumt (on), Walterus de Sygedonne, Iohannes Taillor de Dertemouth, and Iohannes Floyt. In witness of which the aforesaid Jurors have appended their seals. And for the greater security of the action of the said Court

Mattheus de Clyvedon then Sheriff appended the seal of his office of the Castle of Exeter to the written statement (*scripto*) of the aforesaid enquiry.

1284. 26th March. William de Quirdone was admitted by Bishop Quivil priest to the chapel of Saint Edmund the King on the bridge of Tottonia, patron the "lady Milsant de Monte Alto, on condition that he shall keep a chaplain continually celebrating in the same chapel for the soul of Lord Walterus formerly Vicar of Tottonia who conferred many benefits upon the same chapel" (*Reg. Bp. Quivil*, fo. 358),

1284. 14th May at Launceston. John Prior of Tywardrayth was claimant against John de Stungongor (St. Gunger in Lanivet) and Desiderata his wife as to 1 acre of land in Penlen (Penlene in Tywardreath). Plea of covenant was summoned. John and Desiderata acknowledged the land to be the right of the Prior and his church of St. Andrew de Tywardrayth and quit claimed the same and the Prior received them into the benefits and prayers of his church for ever (*Feet of Fines*, C. 303).

1286. 16th June. Bishop Peter Quivil granted a full licence to the Warden of the House of the Holy Trinity in La Worlond near Tottonia (the purpose of the license is obliterated). The Lady Milisant de Monte Alto, Patron, and Lady of the Fief is mentioned; the deed being dated "*apud Chisseam*" (*Reg. Bp. Quivil*, fo. 389.)

1287. April. An important synod was held at Exeter under the presidency of Bishop Peter Quivil (for its acts, consisting of fifty-two chapters, see *Spelman's and Wilkin's Councils*) (Oliver *Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 48).

1288. Pope Nicholas IV granted the tenths to Edward I for six years. From this taxation all church taxes as well to our Kings as to the Popes were taken until 26 Henry VIII.

1288-91. In the taxation of Pope Nicholas IV, begun in 1288 and completed in 1291, we find the following valuation of the property of the Priory.

In the Deanery of Aylesbere:

Ecclesia de Clistone (Broadclyst)	13*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 26*s.* 8*d.*
Vicaria ejusdem	100*s.*	tithe 10*s.*

There is no record that the Prior of Totnes received at this time any benefit from the Church, but we are told lower, under the heading "Pensiones,"

Prior Sancti Nicholai percepit in Ecclesia de Clystone	5*s.*	tithe 6*d.*
Prior de Otritone de eadem	6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 8*d.*

In the Deanery of Totnes:

Ecclesia Tottonie	10*li.*	tithe 20*s.*
Vicaria ejusdem	66*s.* 8*d.*	

Ecclesia de Aspringtone	9*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*	tithe 19*s.* 4*d.*
Ecclesia de Corneworthe	6*li.*	tithe 12*s.*
Ecclesia de Hurbertone	11*li.* 15*s.*	tithe 23*s.* 6*d.*
Vicaria ejusdem	20*s.*	
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Aspringtone	6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 8*d.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Cornworthe	13*s.* 4*d.*	tithe 16*d.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Hurbertone	5*s.*	tithe 6*d.*
In the Deanery of Ippelepenne:		
Ecclesia de Brixham	13*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 26*s.* 8*d.*
Vicaria ejusdem	6*li.*	tithe 12*s.*
In the Deanery of Moreton:		
Ecclesia de Hanoke (Hennock)	114*s.* 11*d.*	tithe 11*s.* 5¾*d.*
Vicaria ejusdem	37*s.*	
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Hanoke	2*s.*	tithe 2½*d.*
In the Deanery of Hallesworthe (Holsworthy):		
Ecclesia de Pyworthe	9*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 18*s.* 8*d.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Pyworthe	10*s.*	tithe 12*d.*
In the Deanery of Wodeleghe:		
Ecclesia de Stoke *cum* Capellis	33*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 66*s.* 8*d.*
(Stokenham with Chivelstone and Sherford)		
Vicaria ejusdem	53*s.* 4*d.*	
Ecclesia de Pole (South Pool)	4*li.* 5*s.*	tithe 8*s.* 6*d.*
Ecclesia de Alvyngtone *cum* Capellis	33*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 66*s.* 8*d.*
(West Alvington with Malborough, South Huish and South Milton.)		
Vicaria ejusdem	73*s.* 4*d.*	
Ecclesia de Lodeswille	8*li.*	tithe 16*s.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Stoke	20*s.*	tithe 2*s.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Alvyngtone	26*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 2*s.* 8*d.*
Thomas Rector de Poghehill percipit in Alvyngtone	6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 8*d.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Pole	15*s.*	tithe 18*d.*
Prior Tottonie percipit in Ecclesia de Lodeswille	6*s.* 8*d.*	tithe 8*d.*
Under Temporalities in the Archdeaconry of Tottonia:		
The Prior of Tottonia possesses:		
Apud Prestone 40*s.* / Aput Ashpringtone (*s. o.*) 63*s.* 4*d.*	Summa 103*s.* 4*d.*	tithe 10*s.* 4*d.*

PRIOR ROBERTUS.

Tot. Pr. Deed cviii. 1288.

Hemericus Charles greeting. Be it known that I Hemericus Charles or my heirs, etc., are neither able nor ought to call in warrant Robertus

Prior of Tottonia or the Convent of the same place, etc., concerning that land, etc., in Uppatone which Warinus Charles my father formerly has given to Ricardus and Robertus my brothers on condition that I Hemericus quit claim the aforesaid Prior, etc., for ever. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus de Mallestone; 2 Michael de Mallestone; 3 Walterus le Bastard; 4 Benedictus le Bon; 5 Galfridus Dolyn clerk, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Wednesday next before the Circumcision of the Lord in the seventeenth year of the reign of King Edward (Wednesday before 1st January, 1288).

Appended small parchment tag, seal has probably been broken off.

Tot. Pr. Deed cix. 1289.

In the seventeenth year of the reign of King Edward on the festival of the Blessed George (23rd April, 1289) it was agreed between Matillida who was the wife of Ricardus le Surreve on the one part and lord Robertus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the other namely that the aforesaid Matillda has quit claimed to the aforesaid Prior, etc., all right which she had in that mesuage and rent of ten *denarii*, which the aforesaid Ricardus le Surreve formerly had by the gift of Walterus le Bon beyond and near the west gate in the burg ("*burgo*") of Tottonia. And for this quit claim the aforesaid Prior and Convent have remitted to the aforesaid Matillida her rent of five *denarii* all the days of her life which rent she should pay for the shop and terrace (*de solda et solario*) which are in the fore part of the aforesaid mesuage. And after the death of the aforesaid Matillida the aforesaid rent of five *denarii* shall revert in full to the aforesaid Prior, etc. In witness of which thing the Prior and Convent as well as Matillda have alternately affixed their seals to the duplicated writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Benedictus le Bon; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Walterus le Bastard; 4 Robertus Tylia; 5 Galfridus Scot; 6 Iordanus Brito then provost of Tottonia; 7 Galfridus Dolyn, and others.

Appended small green oval seal one inch by three-quarters. Device and inscription are too much worn to determine.

Tot. Pr. Deed xxxv.

I Dyonisia widow of Willelmus Pomeray de Kyngeswere in my lawful widowhood have given conceded and confirmed by this my present charter to Ricardus Fossyng de Wodehiwys all that mesuage with its appurtenances

in Kyngeswere which mesuage is situated between the mesuage with appurtenances which Oliver de Kyngestone formerly held on the north side and the mesuage with appurtenances of Galfridus de Kyngeswere on the south side. To hold and to have to the said Ricardus and his heirs and assigns from the Prior and Convent of Tottonia who at the time may be (in possession) freely quit well peacefully and wholly by law of heritage in perpetuity. Rendering to the Prior, etc., all service due from the aforesaid mesuage. And for this gift concession and confirmation of the present charter the aforesaid Ricardus has given me two marcs of silver hand money whilst I Dyonisia and my heirs hold to warranty the aforesaid mesuage to the aforesaid Ricardus, etc.

In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Herbertus Bozum; 2 Suayn Paya; 3 Iohannes Rivel; 4 Michael Cole; 5 Iohannes de Middeltone; 6 Willelmus Coco; 7 Galfridus de Kyngeswere, and others.

Appended complete round seal of black wax, central device a feathered cross with letters DIONISIE POM'AY.

Tot. Pr. Deed cx. 1289.

Robertus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place greeting. Be it known that by our unanimous consent we have conceded to Ricardus Fossyng de Wodehiwysse all that mesuage with appurtenances in Kingiswere which the same Ricardus had by the gift of Dyonisia who was formerly the wife of Willelmus Pomeray in Kingiswere and which mesuage is situated between the mesuage which Oliverus de Kyngestone formerly held and the mesuage which Galfridus de Kyngeswere held. To hold and to have, etc. Whilst paying annually to us three *denarii* sterling at the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary. Rendering two services at our Court of Uppetone namely at la Hockeday and at the festival of Saint Michael on reasonable summons of eight days. And for this concession the aforesaid Ricardus has given us ten *solidi* sterling hand money.

In witness of which thing we as well as the aforesaid Ricardus have alternately affixed our seals to the duplicated writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Herbertus Bozoun; 2 Suayn Paya; 3 Iohannes Rivel; 4 Michael Cole; 5 Iohannes de Middeltone; 6 Willelmus Coco; 7 Galfridus de Kyngeswere, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Friday next before the festival of Saint Gregory (12th March) Anno Domini 1289.

Appended to parchment tag two portions of a large circular seal of brown wax two inches diameter, impression quite undeterminable.

1289. 26th May. The Archdeacon of Totton addressed a letter to the Dean of Yplepnne ordering excommunication of malefactors against the property of Thorre Abbey. In accordance with which a certain Rogerus de —— and certain R—— and B—— are cited to appear at Exeter (*Cart. Thorre Abbey*, fo. 162*b*).

1291. 4th October. Bishop Peter Quivil died.

1291. November, Thomas de Bitton, a native of Gloucester, was promoted from the deanery of Wells and on the 1st April, 1292, consecrated to the see of Exeter which he filled until 25th September, 1307.

PRIOR GALFRIDUS.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxi. Brother Galfridus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place greeting. Be it known that we have released to Matheus de Boclaunde and his heirs two *solidi* sterling annual rent from the rent of eight *solidi* which they have paid us annually from that tenement in Tottonia which is between the tenement of Ricardus de Bynneleghe on the east side and the tenement which Henricus Scota formerly held on the west side for the repairing and rebuilding of the said tenement which same tenement was totally ruined and overthrown. On condition that the said Mattheus and his heirs shall pay annually six *solidi* sterling in equal portions at the four principal terms of the year, namely at Easter eighteen *denarii*, at the festival of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist eighteen *denarii*, at the festival of Saint Michael eighteen *denarii* and at the Birth of the Lord eighteen *denarii* for all service save service to the Lords of Tottonia. And if the said Matheus is unable to pay the rent we are able to levy distress on all their tenements within the city and liberty of the Borough ("*Burgi*") of Tottonia and retain in our possession until we are fully paid. In witness of which thing both we the aforesaid Prior, etc., as well as Matheus have alternately affixed our seals to this writing cut in half in the manner of cyrography.

Witnessed by:

1 Benedictus le Bon; 2 Michael de Mallestonne; 3 Walterus Bastard; 4 Iohannes de Fonte; 5 Ricardus Tuc; 6 Ricardus Scot; 7 Martinus Scota then provost of Tottonia and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Tuesday next after the festival of Saint Ambrosius (4th April) Anno Domini 1294.

Appended parchment tag, but seal has been broken off.

1295. 12th August, dated at Westminster. Grant to Thomas (Bitton 1292-1307), Bishop of Exeter, and his successors of a weekly market on Thursday at his manor of Peynton, county Devon, and of a yearly fair there on the vigil, fast and morrow of Holy Trinity.

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed

The Bishop of Exeter has a market at Peyngton, and John de St. Edmund Lord of Yppelapen has a market there, to the prejudice of the Lord and Liberty of Totton: "therefore, etc." Also the stannary-men (*stagniatores* = tin workers) claim to be quit from toll of all things bought and sold in the market and fair, whereas they ought not to be quit, save for purchases made for their sustenance and for the work of the Stannary; "therefore the burgesses pray, etc." The burgesses have the election of ale-tasters, but the Stewards and Bailiffs amerce all brewers whether presented by the tasters or not, contrary to the composition between the Lord and the burgesses.

They have a constable of the peace to present hue raised and the Bailiffs compel the constables to say whether it was justly raised or not, and amerce the party without hearing in Court.

The burgesses pray that they (the Stewards and Bailiffs) may desist from the aforesaid errors, lest they fall under the sentence of excommunication passed after the Charter of Liberties of England. The burgesses pay to the Lord four pounds of silver to have their ancient usages and customs.

1295. Totnes first sent a member to Parliament, Iohannes de Blakedon being elected (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, p. 166).

1298. Two members were returned and the Borough continued to elect two until 17th Edward IV (1478).

Tot. Guild Roll, M18.

A single membrane measuring seventeen and three-quarter inches by eight inches, numbered 18 on paper label.

A small 8 is written in left-hand top corner.

Where no payment of fordede is mentioned, single was paid.

1301, 20th November. On Monday in the Festival of St. Eadmund King and Martyr in the 30th year of King Edward.

Ricardus le Conk and Willelmus de Cobeton to receive custody of the office as senechals of the Gild of Merchants of Totton'.

Nicholas Croude entered the Guild on Tuesday after the Festival of St.

Eadmund King in the 30th year of King Edward by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Henricus de Corneworthy. 3*s*. fordede.

1302. 13th January. Galfridus le Touwere entered the Guild on Saturday in the Festival of St. Hyllar by ordinary purchase in the 30th year of King Edward. 4*s*. fordede.

Robertus Hurt entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Ricardus Scoz. 5*s*. fordede.

Sunday after 25th January. Nicholaus filius Gillani Bynndebroke entered on Sunday after the Conversion of St. Paul in the 30th year of King Edward. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Willelmus de (the scribe omits name by mistake, and writes "ordinary purchase" instead). 5*s*. fordede.

Friday after 4th April. Willelmus Loveryng entered on Friday after the festival of St. Ambrose in the 30th year of King Edward by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus Pyl and Martinus Scote. 4*s*. fordede.

Tuesday after 24th June. Auda daughter of Nicholaus Infantis (Child) entered on Tuesday after the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in the 30th year of King Edward by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Henricus de Stoncombe. 3*s*. fordede.

Thomas de Cobeton entered on the same day by gift of the Community.

Monday after 29th June. Adam Michel de Dertemuth entered on Monday after the Apostles Peter and Paul by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Thomas de Cobeton. 3*s*. fordede.

Monday after 2nd July. Ricardus filius Galfridi de Falewille entered on Monday after the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 30th year of King Edward by ordinary purchase. 3*s*. fordede.

1303. Friday after 6th January. Osbertus Bonde entered on Friday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 31st year of King Edward. Sureties Vincentus le Tonk and Stephanus de Blakemore by ordinary purchase.

Tuesday after 13th January. Stephanus de Thurreslegh entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Hillary in the 31st year of King Edward by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Bastard and Martinus Scote. 3*s*. fordede.

Thursday before 25th January. Ricardus Talenas entered on Thursday after the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the 31st year of King Edward by ordinary purchase. 2*s*. fordede.

Saturday after 12th March. Willelmus Symonn entered by ordinary purchase on Saturday after the festival of St. Gregory in the 31st year of King Edward. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Martinus Scota. 3*s*. fordede.

Monday before 11th June. Bartholemeus Dolyn entered by ordinary purchase on Monday before

the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the 31st year of King Edward. 2*s*. fordede.

Monday before 10th August.

Augustinus Bastard entered in the place of Walterus le Bastard on Monday before the festival of St. Laurence in the 31st year of King Edward.

Willelmus Tounman entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Bastard and Augustinus Bastard. 2*s*. fordede.

Monday after 8th September.

Ricardus de Plympstoke entered on Monday after the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 31st year of King Edward. Sureties Walterus Scote and Iohannes Iuyl. 3*s*. fordede.

1304. Thursday after 10th February.

Hugo de Brodeche entered by ordinary purchase on Tuesday after the octave of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 32nd year of King Edward. 2*s*. fordede.

Thursday, 12th March.

Andreas Berfchask entered by ordinary purchase on Thursday in the festival of St. Gregory in the 32nd year of King Edward. Sureties Willelmus Pyl and Vincentus Tonk. 3*s*. fordede.

Monday after 14th April.

Adam Wytfot pistor entered on Monday after the festival of Saints Tiburcius and Vallarianus by ordinary purchase in the 32nd year of King Edward. Sureties Willelmus Parsonn and Martinus Scote. 6*s*. 8*d*. fordede.

Wednesday, 7th September.

Tot. Guild Roll, M18, reverse.

Ricardus de Gorwelle called Page entered on Wednesday the eve of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin in the 32nd year of King Edward, by the death of Margeria his wife. Surety his tenement. 2*s*. double fordede.

Tuesday before 28th October.

Walterus Vela entered on Tuesday before the festival of the Apostles Symon and Iude and gives on entry sureties Ricardus Guerda and Augustinus Bastard. 3*s*. fordede.

1305. Monday after 19th May.

Adam Beaghe entered on Monday after the festival of St. Dunstan in the 33rd year of King Edward by gift of Galfridus Seger. Sureties Ricardus Iuerde and Henricus de Stoncomb. Double fordede.

Thomas Spicer entered in succession to Willelmus le Spcere his father. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Marcerus Scote. Double fordede.

Galfridus de la Heen entered in succession to Stephanus de Thurreslegh and by gift of the same. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Macerus Scote. Double fordede.

Ricardus Hemmyng entered in succession to Nicholaus Hemmyng his father and has a tenement. Double fordede.

14th October.

In the time of Iohannes de Blakedon' and Martinus Randulf from the 15th day after the festival of St. Michael.

Wednesday, 21st December.

Iohannes le Soper entered by ordinary purchase on Wednesday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 35th year of King Edward and finds sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes Hinget, and the said Iohannes has a tenement. In margin—appointed beadle by the community.

Ricardus Font entered by ordinary purchase on Wednesday in the festival of Saint Thomas the Apostle in the 35th year of King Edward. He finds sureties Marcer Rondel and Willelmus Colman and has a tenement. In margin—from which (amount) W. de Cobeton and Ricardus Tuker received 16*d.* 3*s.* fordede.

1306. Thursday after 25th January.

Iohannes Passa entered on Thursday after the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the 35th year of King Edward by gift of Iohannes son of Walterus Le Floyt and the said Iohannes has a tenement. 2*s.* triple fordede.

Walterus le Voyl succeeds Stephanus his father. Sureties Ricardus le Tuker and Iohannes Passa. Double fordede.

Monday after 6th January.

Ricardus de Bancumbe entered on Monday after the Epiphany in the 35th year of King Edward in succession to Galfridus Scote and by the gift of Martinus Scote brother of Galfridus. Sureties Martinus Scote and Iohannes atte Willeweye. Triple fordede.

Monday after 22nd February.

Iohannes son of Michaelus de Hundehole the smith entered on Monday after the festival of St. Peter in Cathedra in the 35th year of King Edward by gift of his father and has a tenement through his wife Iuliana daughter of Willelmus Niger the smith. Double fordede.

Tuesday after 19th May.

Willelmus Scot entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Dunstan in the 35th year of King Edward in succession to Andreas Scot his father who (has) the aforesaid liberty through the gift of Galfridus Rusticus and by gift of Alicia wife of Walterus Chichele and has a tenement. 6*d.* triple fordede.

Stephanus son of Stephanus de Bosco entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Dunstan in the 35th year of King Edward in succession to Stephanus his father, he has a tenement. Double fordede.

Isobella Mody entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Dunstan in the 35th year of King Edward in succession to Ricardus Mody her father and by gift of the same. 12*d.* triple fordede

Sunday, 21st July.

Iohannes Bruere son of Walterus Bruer enters on Sunday the eve of the Blessed Mary Magdalene in the 35th year of E. [*sic*] in succession to the said Walterus his father. Double fordede.

Ricardus Hughe the carpenter enters on Sunday same date as above by purchase. Sureties Martinus Randel and Henricus Lovet. 5*s.* fordede.

Tuesday before 28th October.

Eadmundus le fissere entered on Tuesday before the festival of the Apostles Symon and Iude in the 1st year of King Edward son of King Edward in succession to Iohannes Stock through Margareta his wife daughter of the said Iohannes and has a tenement. Double fordede.

Willelmus son of Petrus de Bolaleghe entered on same date by gift of the Community. Sureties Martinus Randulf and Walterus Manner. End of Membrane 18, reverse side.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 917. 1302-3.

Monday, 12th March. I Iohannes Lotye of Aysperton (Ashprington) and Agatha my wife have given to Willelmus Frye and Petronilla his wife our tenement in Tottonia outside the east gate on the south side towards the bridge of Tottonia. Namely that tenement between the tenement of Iohannes de Fonte on one side and the tenement of Walterus son of Benedictus le Bon on the other. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering service due, etc. For this Willelmus and Petronilla have given us twenty *solidi* sterling and we hold to warranty, etc. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Millestone; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Ricardus Tuck; 4 Ricardus Scoz; 5 Willelmus de Cobetonne; 6 Iohannes de Blakedonne; 7 Willelmus Pyl then provost of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday the Festival of St. Gregory the Pope in the 30th year of King Edward.

In 1355 a Thomas Frya received a tenement from a Thomas Stephene (*cxxxii*) and in 1375 held probably the same tenement on the east side of that of Iohannes Sperkewille (*cxxxviii*).

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed. 1304.

6th July. Dated at Totnes, 32nd Edward I on Monday in the octave of SS. Peter and Paul.

Know all men that whereas William Lazouch Lord of Totton' felt himself much aggrieved by his Burgesses, especially in certain articles underwritten in which strifes and contentions had arisen between them, nevertheless it is thus settled.

The Lord charged the Burgesses with claiming liberty to acquit divers strange men from toll and other customs in the Lord's market and fair, for a year and a day, rendering nothing to the Lord and afterwards 6*d.* yearly. The Burgesses and Commonalty grant that they shall receive no

one into the said liberty who has residence elsewhere, to wit, wandering merchants who shall take oath to acquire a tenement in Totton' within the first year and a day, before the Steward of the Gild of Merchants and the Lord's Bailiff; and so from year to year so long as they do not acquire a tenement. The Burgesses claimed to prove measures weights and ells without the precept of the Lord's Steward, but granted that the Lord's Steward or Bailiff with the Provost of the town and "cachepoll" shall send (for) the Steward of the said Gild or two burgesses and meet at the Guild-hall and then take the measures weights and ells throughout the town to the said hall, there to be proved by the Standards in the custody of the Steward of the Gild; any found false to remain in the Provost's custody till the next Court of the Lord and there to be condemned and the owners to be punished. If the Lord's Steward or Bailiff, sooner than the Cachepoll or Provost shall come to the town on anyone's complaint or suspicion to prove such measures weights and ells they shall take the same to the Court of the Lord whither the Steward of the Gild is to take the standards, etc.

The Burgesses claimed amends of the assize of bread, to the Lord's disinheritance, they grant that they will not demand the same henceforth, but the assize shall be caused to be kept by the Lord's Bailiff with the Provost of the borough and offences shall be amended in the Lord's Court, the Lord enjoying the amercements; punishment to be made by tumbril and pillory; the Bailiffs to take bread and the weight of bread as often as necessary and not the Burgesses unless perchance any one of them shall find bread of which he has suspicion, when he shall take it to the Provost of the town who shall carry it to the Lord's Court.

If any malefactor or thief shall be taken in the Lord's market or fair and be adjudged to the pillory by the Steward and Bailiff Provost and Cachepoll, and by the consideration of the said Burgesses judgment shall be executed; if the Steward or Bailiff cannot attend, execution shall be made.

Dated at Totnes 6th July 32 Edward I.

The witnesses are:

1 Gilbert de Knovill; 2 Nicholas de Kirkham; 3 Roger de Cokyngton; 4 Hugh de Ferrers, knights; 5 John de Holdesworthy; 6 Ralph de Dodescombe; 7 William de Penelles; 8 William de Pyn; 9 Richard de Boneleghe (or Bynneleghe, see Deed cxii); 10 John de Hagworthy, and others.

Tot. Mun. Deed Monday, 24th August. 1304.

To all who see and hear this writing Willelmus Dobyn, Burgher of Totton greeting, etc. Be it known that I have quit claimed, etc., to the bridge of Totton and to Gilbertus Attebrigge and Iohannes Hynget wardens of the same bridge all my right in that tenement in Totton in the north street which is near the house which Alfredus Hok held on the east side between the way which leads towards the north gate and the (?) (*dovam*) of the castle of Totton near the house of Willelmus Coleman Parys on the south side. To hold and have by service from the capital lords of that fee. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Mallestone; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Ricardus Tuck; 4 Willelmus de Cobeton; 5 Willelmus Parsonn; 6 Iohannes de Blakedon; 7 Martinus Smith (faber), and others.

Dated at Totton on Monday in the Festival of St. Bartholomew in the 32nd year of King Edward (I).

Appended fragment of round seal; inscription enclosing cross.

On reverse: "Concerning tenement of the bridge in which Walterus Mayn dwells."

Tot. Pr. Deed cxii. 1306.

Willelmus la Zousche Lord of Tottonia greeting. Be it known that for the souls of Eudo la Zousche my father and of Milisent his wife my mother and for the safety of the souls of myself and of Matillida my wife and of our free men and for the souls of our ancestors and successors I have granted, etc., to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and to the monks of Saint Sergius of Angers serving God in the said church of Tottonia, etc., the site of their Priory together with the church of Tottonia and also the manor of Aspryngtone with appurtenances together with the advowson of the church of the same. And all the lands and tenements of Garstone, Faggeslonde and Foletone with all their appurtenances such as gardens woods waters roads paths grazings and pastures. And that they may have for their own use the churches of Cliston and Brixham with the domains of the said churches and with all services of whatever tenements belong to the said churches, etc. On condition that the said monks continue all gifts and chantreys which of old they have undertaken to do. Reserving to me and my heirs the advowson and nomination of the said Priory with all its belongings. And reserving to me and my heirs all manner of profits which by reason of the said advowson and nomination should belong to me. I remit and

quit claim even to brother Galfridus Prior of the said Priory, etc., all works and services which their men of Aysprintone holding the land, free men as well as villeins, are accustomed to do for me and my ancestors in our manor of Corneworthy such as ploughing, reaping and buildings. That neither I nor my heirs can exact such work and service. The aforesaid Prior and Convent have granted that in the water of the Derte which is in my liberty and domain they will neither claim nor have any special part for fishing. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Gilbertus de Knovile, knight; 2 Lord Petrus de Fissacre, knight; 3 Lord Nicholaus de Kirkam, knight; 4 Lord Rogerus de Cokyntone, knight; 5 Willelmus de Cumptone; 6 Iohannes Elys; 7 Willelmus Bernehous; 8 Ricardus de Bynneleghe; 9 Iohannes de Bynneleghe, and others.

Dated at Tottonia the 15th day of April in the thirty-fourth year of the reign of King Edward (1306).

Appended on parchment tag a well-preserved lump of brown sealing wax in which is a deep circular impress, three-quarters of an inch in diameter. Central device a shield doubtless containing the arms of la Zousche; the whole encircled by a very regular and neatly-cut vine or ivy leaf pattern.

Mellisent, heiress of William de Cantelupe, brought Totnes to Eudo la Zousche, and the presentation to the Priory subsisted in this family until the accession of King Henry VII, when the head of the family was attainted for supporting the cause of Richard III and the right of patronage was conferred by the crown on Peter Edgecumbe (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 238).

In her widowhood Millisenta confirmed the deed of her grandfather, William de Braosa, granting one tonell of wine or two marcs of silver to purchase such wine "*ad celebrandas missas*" (No. 36, *Cart. St. Nicholas Priory*, Exeter).

1. Gilbertus de Knovile occurrs in 1300, as Sheriff of Devon at Exeter (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 164*a*).

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed.

Composition of Exchange of the Water of the Port of Dertemouth between William la Zouche Lord of Totteneys of the one part, and Nicholas de Toukesbury Lord of Hewys of the other part.

The said William granted to Nicholas all his mesuages and rents in

Clyfton Dertemouth and Hardenass and all the toll custom and profits of the market and the free Court of pleas and plaints, the assize of bread and ale broken, etc., in the said towns; also the tolls customs, etc., of the Port of Dertem(outh) and Dert from a place called Blakston next the entry of the port to Blakston next Corneworthy, with a free Court with all appurtenances, etc., saving that the said William and his heirs and the Burgesses of Totton' shall be quit from the said tolls, customs, etc., and that all men coming by sea in ships, barges, or boats with merchandises, shall have free passage from Dertem(outh) to Tottenes without malicious impediment. To hold to the said Nicholas his heirs and assigns of the chief lords of that fee by the services due and accustomed, etc. For this gift the said Nicholas grants to the said William his heirs and assigns 16 marks of yearly rent from his Manor of Hewys. Clauses of warranty and distress follow. (No date).

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Willelmus Marteyne (yn); 2 Mattheus filius Iohannis; 3 Jacobus de Oxton; 4 Petrus de Fysshacre; 5 Rogerus de Cokyngton; 6 Nicholaus de Kirkham; 7 Willelmus le Prouze (de Prouze); knights. 8 Iohannes de Holdeworthy (Holdworthy); 9 Radolphus de Dodescombe; 10 Robertus de Scobhyll; 11 Iohannes de Fenton; 12 Iohannes de Bykebury; 13 Willelmus de Tolouse (Tolonsi); 14 Willelmus Wylkyn; 15 Willelmus Ioye; 16 Galfridus Gylbert; 17 Willelmus Hemmyng; 18 Robertus de Pole and others,

Grievances formerly done to the Burgesses of Totton'.

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed.

First, the said Burgesses feel themselves aggrieved by former Bailiffs of the water of the Port of Dertemue because they distrained and pledged the burgesses to pay toll contrary to immemorial custom until the exchange between the present Lord (of Totton') and Nich. Teukesbury and afterwards for a long time they were quit until the Port of the said Water came into the King's hands by the death of Peter Gavereston. The present Bailiff Robert Abbat of Tavystock and his under bailiff do the same. Also the Bailiff of the Hundred of Colryg enters the liberty of Totton' and makes summonses and distresses of the burgesses to be in assizes juries, etc., contrary to the Lord's liberty which he and his ancestors had by charters. The burgesses used not to be vexed to attend County (Courts) nor elsewhere before Justices save for pleas, etc., arising in the borough.

A Robert was Abbat of Tavystock 1270-1285.

Robert Bonus was Abbat of Tavystock 12th June 1328-1333, 23rd October (Alford, *Abbots of Tavistock*, Book iv).

Close Rolls. Piers Gaveston was granted the Earldom of Cornwall on the accession of Edward II to the throne in 1307. This favourite of the King was beheaded 19th June, 1312.

"The present Bailiff" in above statement must refer therefore to Robert Bonus, Abbat of Tavystock 1328-1333, and it would be during this period of five years that the above grievances were recorded. This Abbat Robert Bonus or Bosse, as Dugdale calls him, (was he of the family le Bon?) had been Abbat of La Reole in the diocese of Tarbes. An ambitious man, he secured the patronage of Pope John XXII, and was recommended by him to Tavistock. "After extraordinary forbearance" Bishop Grandisson was obliged to depose him. It can easily be believed that this dissolute Abbat, into whose predecessor's hands King Edward II had, in 1325, entrusted the custody of the stannaries in Devon and the water of Dartmouth for seven years, abused his powers, and the men of Totnes, in common with others, had cause for complaint.

1307. 25 September, Bishop Thomas de Bitton died.

PRIOR IOCELINUS.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxiii. 1307. In the first year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward on Monday next after the festival of Saint Edmund Archbishop and Confessor (Monday after 20th November, 1307) it was agreed between Walterus Spicer of Tottonia on the one part and Brother Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the other in the manner below written.

To all, etc., Walterus Spicer of Tottonia greeting. Be it known that since Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place have granted me a certain tenement with appurtenances in the fortified town (*burgo*) of Tottonia built opposite to their Priory gate. To hold from them for the service of (amount is cut out) *solidi* annual rent. I have granted to the same Prior, etc., to be hereafter neighbours in possession of the said tenement at the market price of twenty *solidi* less than which some other person has offered for the same if it should happen that the said tenement is to be sold. In witness of which thing the said Walterus as well as the aforesaid Prior and Convent have alternately appended their seals to this written indenture.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Malleston'; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Willelmus de Cobeton'; 4 Willelmus Pyl; 5 Ricardus Scoz, and others.

Appended parchment tag, but no sign that it has been sealed.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxiv.
1307. To all, etc., Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia greeting. Be it known that we have given over, etc., to Willelmus de Coleton' to Isabella his wife and to Ricardus their son a garden with appurtenances which is within the fortified town (*infra burgagia*) of Tottonia which is called la Magdalene haye which lies opposite to the chapel of the Blessed Maria Magdalene as far as the land which Michaelus de Mallestone held on the south side and from the land which Galfridus Seger held on the west side as far as the land which Stephanus de Sandrigge held on the east side. To have and to hold to the aforesaid Willelmus Isabella and Ricardus as long as they live or one of them who lives the longest, from us, etc. Whilst paying annually to us, etc., half a marc of silver on the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary for all service, etc. We the aforesaid Prior, etc., undertake to warranty the aforesaid garden, etc. In witness of which thing we the aforesaid Prior, etc., as well as the aforesaid Willelmus Isabella and Ricardus have alternately affixed our seals to this written indenture.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Malleston'; 2 Iohannes de Fonte; 3 Ricardus Tuck; 4 Willelmus Pyl; 5 Willelmus Parsonn, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Friday on the eve of Saint Thomas the Apostle in the first year of the reign of King Edward the son of King Edward (20th December, Friday, 1307).

On reverse, in one hand: "A lease"; in earlier hand, "de Magdelene hay."

Appended parchment tag to which seal has probably been affixed; no trace remains.

1308. Walter de Stapeldon having been chosen by the Canons on the Monday after Martinmas, 1307, the election was confirmed by Archbishop Robert Winchelsey on Wednesday, 13th March, 1307-8, but he was not consecrated Bishop of Exeter until 13th October, 1308, as the Archbishop insisted upon him going to Canterbury.

This Bishop was well acquainted with South Devon and the districts in which Totnes Priory, on account of its property, was especially

interested, as he was Rector of Aveton Giffard for some thirteen years before being raised to the bishopric.

1308. On 22nd August a licence to visit the Court of Rome was granted by Bishop Stapeldon to William, Vicar of Brixham; he was to return within ten weeks (save for some lawful cause) or be deprived of his benefice (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 323).

1308-9. On 4th February Bishop Stapeldon paid his first visit, as Bishop, to Totnes, on his way to Moreleigh (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 547).

5th February. The custody of Sir Nicholas rector of the church of Aspringtone (Ashprington) and of the Church thereof was committed to Sir Walter (Daumarle), Vicar of Totnes, as coadjutor "on account of the manifest deficiency in literature and discretion insufficient for the rule and care of a church" (*ibidem*, fo. 35).

Tot. Guild Roll, M19. Three membranes, stitched together, measuring two feet three inches by six and a half inches.

On reverse is endorsed: "Roll of the Gild of Merchants in the time of Edward II."

A small letter 9 is written in left hand top corner, and No. 19 on paper label. Where not otherwise stated, single fordede is paid.

Commences "*Ad huc de Gilda Mercatorum anno E. primo.*"

Willelmus Loyt entered in succession to Adam Herberd his father on Thursday after the festival of Saint Ambrose in the aforementioned year and finds sureties, etc., to view his tenement. 2*s.* double fordede.

Galfridus Kyng son of Iohannes Sarra de Nytherton on the same date succeeded the said Iohannes his father and finds sureties Henricus de Stancumbe and Willelmus Colyn. 2*s.* double fordede.

Iohannes filius Martini de Thoreslegh the smith entered on the same date by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes Hynget. 2*s.* 6*d.* fordede.

Iohannes Gille son of Gregorius Gille entered in succession to Gregory his father on Sunday following. Sureties Edwardus Damel and Galfridus Dolin and has a tenement. 20*d.* triple fordede.

In the time of Augustinus Bastard and Henricus de Cobeton ending in the 1st year of King Edward son of King Edward and commencing in the 2nd year of Edward.

1308. Tuesday before 30th November, Iohannes Tynke de Holbohetan' entered on Tuesday before the festival of Saint Andrew the Apostle in the 2nd year of King Edward II ("*anno r.r. Edward fil Regis Edwardi*" *trans Edward II*) by ordinary purchase.

Sureties Walterus Manner and Ricardus Briggeman and the said Iohannes has a tenement through Margeria Sweting his wife. Fine 4*s*. fordede.

1308. 21st September. Walterus Bonaton entered on Monday in the festival of St. Matthew in the 2nd year of King Edward II and found sureties Hamr' de Cornaworthi and Ricardus de Maleston. He succeeded his father. Double fordede.

Ricardus Ballard entered in succession to Avicia de Alston and by gift of Iohannes Chatel heir of the aforesaid Avicia. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes de la Wilweye. Fine 20*d*. triple fordede.

Galfridus Brita entered in the above year and succeeded his father. Securities Ricardus Brigeman and Iohannes de la Wilweye. Fine 18*d*. triple fordede.

Margeria daughter of Laronis entered by ordinary purchase in the above year. Sureties Ricardus Brigeman and Stephanus de Bosco. Fine 6*s*. fordede.

Willelmus Caton entered by ordinary purchase. Sureties Ricardus de Falawille and Thomas de Sparcawille. Fine 5*s*. fordede.

Nicholas de Falawille entered by ordinary purchase. Sureties Galfridus de (G ?)arston and Robertus Laurans. By gift.

1309-10. Iohannes medicus entered by right of Alicia his wife in the 3rd year of King Edward II. Sureties Walterus Scotahard and Iohannes de la Wilweye.

Willelmus Wyta entered by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Folaton and Ricardus Boni. Fine 6*s*. fordede

Willelmus de Lymbyr entered by gift of Iohannes Cysor and with the consent of Cicelia his wife and in succession to Willelmus Oxon (?) his father. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Walterus Scotehard. Triple fordede.

Willelmus Vela entered in succession to Juliana Crohard and by gift of Martinus Bastard heir of the said Juliana. Sureties Walterus Vela and Rogerus Mortimer. Triple fordede

Thomas Pyn entered by right of Florancia his wife and in succession to Ricardus Stile father of the aforesaid Florancia whose heir she was. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes de la Wilweye. Fine 12*d*. triple fordede.

Monday after 12th January, 1309. Ricardus Woddeman entered on Monday after the festival of St. Benedict in the 2nd year in succession to Hamer' Harvar' and by gift of Iohannes Tiliro who had the seat by gift of the aforesaid Hamer'.

Sureties Augustinus Bastard and Henricus de Cobaton. Triple fordede.

The name Juliana Hemmyng (2*s*. fordede) is crossed out and Willelmus Baucombe written over, entered by ordinary purchase. Sureties Walterus Monner and Robertus Laur'. Fine 4*s*. fordede.

24th June, 1310. Lucas Scotman entered on the festival of St. John the Baptist in the 3rd year of King Edward II and by gift of Iohannes Poule in succession to him. Sureties Stephanus Hag and Ricardus Taylour. Fine 3*s*. triple fordede.

Monday after 11th October, 1310. Iohnas Paris son of Willelmus Reda Paris (probably a nickname;—the Parisian, the parricide, the lazy, from the French *paresseux*, are suggestions) entered on Monday after the festival of St. Luke the Apostle in the 4th year of King Edward II. Sureties Willelmus Paris and Iohannes Wylwey. By gift.

Ricardus Forester entered in the above year and succeeded Luka (A ?)dhulard and by gift of Sara his sister whose heir she was. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes de la Wyweye. Double fordede

29th September, 1311. In the 5th year of King Edward II at the festival of St. Michael and subsequently in the time of Ricardus Scoz and Galfridus Dolle Greston.

Marcus son of Henricus de Stoncumbe entered in succession to Walterus Loveryng by gift of Willelmus Loveryng son of the said Walterus. Sureties Willelmus Loveryng and Henricus de Stoncumbe. 12*d*. triple fordede.

Ricardus Chyket son of Iohannes Harty by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Harty and Henricus de Stoncumbe.

Commencement of third membrane.

Willelmus Prage by gift of Alanus de Clauton. Sureties Galfridus Dolle de Greston and Iohannes Harty. Double fordede.

Galfridus Frye son of Adam Frye entered in succession to Adam le Frye his father. As surety he has a tenement. 18*d*. double fordede.

In the time of Thomas de Cobaton and Walterus Monner seneschals of the Gild of Totton' in the 5th year of King Edward.

1311-12. Monday before 23rd November, 1311. Willelmus de Bosco entered on Monday before the festival of St. Clement the Pope in the above year by ordinary purchase. Sureties Galfridus de Bosco and Iohannes Iurdan. 5*s*. fordede.

Willelmus Sarreis entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Ricardus Marschel and Petrus Coffyn. 5*s*. fordede.

Sunday before 22nd January, 1312. Petrus Coffyn entered on Sunday before the festival of St. Vincent the Martyr in the 5th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Surety his tenement. 4*s*. fordede.

Stephanus Frye entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Surety his tenement. (In margin) by gift of the seneschals. 5*s.* fordede.

Sunday after 11th November.

Nicholaus de Cruce entered on Sunday after the festival of St. Martin and succeeded Walterus Basse by gift of Elena Basse. Sureties Stephanus de Sandrigge and Iohannes son of Gilbertus de Ponte. 2*s.* triple fordede.

Ioelus Amyot entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Walterus Moner and Stephanus de Sandrigge. 4*s.* triple fordede.

Robertus Bythe entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Surety Willelmus Parson. 3*s.* 4*d.* fordede.

Monday before 6th December.

Matheus de Prioratu entered on Monday before the festival of St. Nicholas Confessor and succeeded Iohannes de Blakemore by gift of Stephanus de Blakemore. Sureties Henricus de Cober and Martinus Rondel. By gift. Triple fordede.

21st December.

Willelmus Hemmyng entered on the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle and succeeded Willelmus Hemmyng his father. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes Hynget. By gift. Double fordede.

Wednesday after 22nd January, 1313.

Thomas de Sparkewill entered on Wednesday after the festival of St. Vincent and succeeded Thomas de Sparkewill his father. Surety his tenement. By gift.

Monday after 25th January, 1313.

Alfredus son of Vincencius Tuck entered on Monday after the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the 6th year of King Edward II by gift of Iohelus Ryde. Sureties Ricardus Tuck and Ricardus Scoz. By gift. Triple fordede.

Tuesday after 25th January, 1313.

Iohannes Tuck son of Vincencius Tuck entered on Tuesday after the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the 6th year of King Edward II by gift of Hugo Pistor. Sureties Ricardus Scoz and Robertus Lauranz. By gift.

Tuesday before 14th February, 1313.

Galfridus le Hopere entered by ordinary purchase on Tuesday before the festival of St. Valentine in the 6th year of King Edward II. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Willelmus de Denne. 4*s.* fordede.

Monday after 1st March, 1313.

Alexander Pyl entered on Monday after the festival of David in the 6th year of King Edward II by gift of Margar' daughter of Iohannes de Wyke in succession to Iohannes de Wyke. Sureties Willelmus Pyl and Iohannes Hynget. By gift. Double fordede.

Thursday before 19th May.

Willelmus Taillour called Stra entered on Thursday before the festival of St. Dunstan in the 6th year of King Edward II by gift of Willelmus Colyn son of Nicholas of Petrus in succession to the said Nicholas. Sureties Iohannes Hynget and Willelmus Pil. By gift. Double fordede.

1313. Saturday, 23rd June. Willelmus de Fonte entered on Saturday the eve of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist by ordinary purchase in the 7th year of King Edward II. Surety his tenement. By gift.

In the time of Iohannes de Fonte and Thomas de Cober seneschals of the Gild of Merchants of Totton' in the 7th year of King Edward II.

1314. Monday after 13th January. Walterus Tyntor de Dodebrock entered on Monday after the festival of St. Hyllary by ordinary purchase in the 7th year of King Edward II. Sureties Ricardus Scoz and Willelmus de Cobeton. 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

Sunday before 25th March. Willelmus Limeleyf entered on Sunday before the festival of the Annunciation and by gift of Iohannes Bonde in the 7th year of King Edward II. Sureties Ricardus Scoz and Ricardus de Falewill. By gift. 2*s.* double fordede.

Monday after 8th September. Marcus le Rouse clericus entered on Monday after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 8th year of King Edward II by the gift of Iohannes de Fonte and Thomas de Cobeton seneschals of the Glld of Merchants of Totton. Sureties Willelmus Parsonn and and Stephanus Hag. Fordede.

Monday after 9th October. Willelmus de Engleburne son of Petrus de Engleburne entered on Monday after the festival of St. Dionisius in the 8th year of King Edward II in succession to the aforesaid Petrus his father. Sureties Willelmus Pyl and Iohannes Hynget. Triple fordede.

In the time of Walterus Spicer and Iohannes de Blakedone in the 8th year of King Edward II.

Tuesday before 20th November. Ricardus de Stoke son of Martinus de Stoke entered on Tuesday before the festival of St. Edmund King and Martyr in the 8th year of King Edward II in succession to Willelmus de Wike son of Walterus de Wike. Sureties Galfridus Dolle de Greston and Willelmus de Dene. Triple fordede. By gift of Petronilla mother of the said Ricardus daughter and heir of the said Willelmus de Wike.

Monday after 13th December. Henricus de Aleborne entered on Monday after the festival of St. Lucia the Virgin in the 8th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Petrus de Compton and Iohannes Iurdan. 8*s.* fordede.

1315. Thursday after 1st January. Iohannes Selye entered on Thursday after the festival of the Circumcision in the 8th year of King Edward II in succession to Henricus Selye his father. Sureties Edwardus Denyel and Walterus Herty. 2*s.* double fordede.

1315. Monday before 6th May. Ricardus Gala entered on Monday before the festival of St. John before the Latin Gate in the 8th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Galfridus Tyrel and Petrus Suetyng. 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

Commencement of reverse side.

1315. Continuation of the Gild of Merchants in the 8th year of King Edward II.

Monday before 11th June. Bartholemeus de Sparkewille entered on Monday before the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the 8th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Wilweye and Willelmus Loveryng. 4*s.* fordede.

Tuesday after 1st August. Nicholaus Tounman entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Peter called *ad vincula* in the 9th year of King Edward II by gift of the seneschals Iohannes de Blakedon and Walterus Spicer. Sureties Martinus Rondel and Robertus Laveranz. By gift.

1316. Thursday after 12th March. Petrus Bagger entered on Thursday after the festival of St. Gregory the Pope in the 9th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Esse and Galfridus Dolle de Greston. 2*s.* fordede.

Monday after 12th May. Iohannes de Hoddesdone entered on Monday after the festival of the Martyrs Pancratius Nereus and Achilleus in the 9th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Willelmus de Cobeton together with his tenement. 4*s.* fordede.

The eve of Whitsunday. Riginaldus Lovera entered in succession to Gregorius his father on the eve of Pentecost in the 9th year of King Edward II. Sureties Walterus Monner and Iohannes de la Wilweye together with his tenement. 12*d.* triple fordede.

Monday after 14th April. Iohannes atte Brygg son of Gilbertus atte Brygg entered in succession to Elena de Ponte his mother on Monday after the festival of SS. Tybvic' and Valer' in the 10th year of King Edward II. Surety his tenement and gives "*ex fine*" 2*s.* 2*s.* triple fordede.

Thursday after 6th December, Stephanus de Strete son of Thomas de Strete entered on Thursday after the festival of the Translation of St. Nicholas in the 10th year of King Edward II by gift of Robertus Amelyn. Sureties Thomas de Cobeton and Thomas de Strete and gives "*ex fine*" 2*s.* 2*s.* quadruple fordede.

Iohannes de Gotham entered on Thursday after the festival of the Translation of St. Nicholas in the 10th year of King Edward II by gift of Ricardus le tayllour de Hurberton. Sureties Rogerius le Mortimer and Petrus Brounyngh de Cumton and gives 2*s.* and 2*s.* double fordede.

1317. In the time of B. Pyl and R. Scoz in the 11th year of King Edward II. Thomas de Cober in the 11th year.

Monday after 11th November. Robertus le Yonge de Brystollia entered on Monday after the festival of St. Martin the Bishop in the 11th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Augustinus Bastard and Thomas de Cober and his tenement. 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

1318. Friday, 6th January. Iohannes Attarlake entered on Friday in the festival of the Epiphany in the 11th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Gilberd and Willelmus de la lake. 5*s.* fordede.

Tuesday after 12th March. Michael Durham entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Gregory in the 11th year of King Edward II in succession to Robertus de Altaribus his father. Sureties Augustinus Bastard and Ricardus de Falewille. Fine 2*s.* triple fordede.

Sunday after 4th April. Willelmus Fayresone de Cottebyri entered on Sunday after the festival of St. Ambrosius the Bishop in the 11th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Hynget and Iohannes de Fonte as well as his tenement. Fine 13*s.* 4*d.* fordede.

Radulphus Crakya de Doddebrook entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Iohannes de Holewill. Fine 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

Robertus Tolck de Asprington entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Attewilweye and Robertus Laurans. Fine 5*s.* fordede.

Tuesday before 3rd May. Philippus Boltere de Bolteriscumbe entered on Tuesday before the festival of the Finding of the Holy Cross by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes Iurdan and Willelmus de Cobeton together with a tenement. Fine 10*s.* fordede.

Agatha daughter of Thomas de Stoncumbe entered in succession to Thomas de Stoncumbe her father on the same Tuesday. And Willelmus Baker her husband on the same day took the oath (*fecit sacramentum*) and found sureties, etc., Benedictus C(?)hita and Willelmus Colyn. Fine 3*s.* double fordede.

Commencement of third membrane, reverse side.

Tuesday after 29th June. Nicholaus de Bockehitte entered on Tuesday after the festival of SS. Peter and Paul in the 11th year of King Edward II by gift of the Community. Sureties Willelmus . . . and . . . Lauranz.

The parchment is much worn.

In the time of . . . de Blakedone' and Thomas de Cober in the 12th year of King Edward II.

1318. Sunday before 1st November. Willelmus . . . son of Robertus de la Lake entered in succession to Rach' Cole(man ?) on Sunday before the festival of All Saints. Sureties Galfridus Stockyng and Iohannes de la lake. Fine 2*s.* quadruple fordede.

Friday, 6th December. Iohannes le Kynt de Tracy bovy entered on Friday in the festival of St. Nicholas confessor by ordinary purchase. Sureties Walterus Prior and Willelmus Parson with his tenement. Fine 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

Thursday after 6th December. Ricardus de Cornaworthi son of Henricus de Cornaworthi entered on Thursday after the festival of St. Nicholas the Confessor by ordinary purchase. Sureties Henricus de Cornaworthi and Marcus Tounman. 6*s.* fordede.

Tuesday before 21st December. Iohannes son of Robertus de Schearpeham entered on Tuesday before the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus de Dene and Iohannes Gotham. Fine 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

Thursday, 21st December. Willelmus Rondulf son of Marcus' Rondulf called Paris entered on Thursday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in succession to Marcus Rondulf his father. Sureties Augustinus Bastard and Willelmus de Dene together with his tenement. Fine 2*s.* fordede.

Sunday, 24th December. Walterus Kyng de Chuselden entered on Sunday the eve of Christmas in the 12th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Willelmus Parson and Martinus Faber. 10*s.* fordede.

Iohannes Serla son of Serlo le Crocker entered on Sunday the eve of Christmas in the 12th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Galfridus Stockyng and Adam Fizgarat. 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

1319. Thursday, 25th January. Iohannes de Wyke entered on Thursday in the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the 12th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Iohannes de Esse (names crossed out) and his tenement. Fine 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

Galfridus Veale junior entered on Thursday on which by gift of the seneschals. Sureties Robertus Lauranz and Iohannes de Wyke. By gift of the seneschals.

Tuesday after 9th October Cicelia Lovet entered on Thursday after the festival of St. Dionisius in the 13th year of King Edward II in succession to Henricus Lovet her father. Sureties Iohannes de Blakedon together with tenement. 12*d.* double fordede.

Henricus de Blakedon son of Iohannes de Blakedon entered on Thursday after the festival of St. Dionisius in the 13th year of King Edward II by the gift of Willelmus Caboch. Sureties Iohannes de Blakedon and Iohannes de Ponte. Double fordede.

Monday before Robertus Laverey de Wer . . . entered on Monday before the

1319. 18th October. festival of St. Luke the Evangelist by ordinary purchase. Sureties Nicholaus de Cruce and Iohannes Doucebeter. 6*s.* 8*d.* fordede.

1310. 30th July. In the possession of the Dean and Chapter of Exeter are two deeds of similar purport. A grant by the Prior of Tywardreth, to which is appended fragment of a seal (*Ex. Chap. Deed*, No. 2148), and a grant by the Prior of Totness with a well-preserved seal, "*Sigillum Sce Marie de Tot.*" (*Ex. Chap. Deed*, No. 2149), of participation in all masses and divine celebrations in their Priory to all persons aiding in the Fabrick of the Church of Exeter which the Bishop and Chapter are unable to complete without aid.

1310. On 13th June Bishop Stapeldon held his first ordination at Totnes on the occasion of his second recorded visit to the town. On 22nd July he visited the town for the third time.

1311. And again on 6th March in the following year another large ordination was held in the Priory Church, the Bishop's fourth visit (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 549).

1310. On 13th August Bishop Stapeldon granted a special licence to Sir Philip, Prior of Tywardreath, to visit the Abbat and Abbey of St. Sergius of Angers, on condition that he was to return to his own Priory by the festival of All Saints next (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 394).

1311. Sir Walter Daumarle, who occurs as Vicar of Totton 5th February, 1308-9, on 26th February, 1310-11, exchanged for the living of Ashprington with Nicholas de Mothaye (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 265).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxv. 1311. Be it known, etc., that I Emma who was the wife of Thomas de Sparkewelle in my widowhood have given, etc., to Robertus and Walterus my sons and to Margareta my daughter all that "*aula*" (the "u" is omitted—"*totam alam*"), etc., with the adjoining place on the east side of "the *poygonne*" of my "*aula*" together with a certain piece of curtilage (yard) which extends from the store ("*ab cimello*") as far as the stone breaking with reasonable pathway going and returning from the said *aula* as far as the said curtilage according to metes and bounds arranged between me and the said Robertus, Walterus and Margareta namely from my tenement with its appurtenances in Tottonia which lies between the tenement of Ricardus de Bynneleghe on the west side and the tenement of Iohannes de Blakedon' on the east side. To have and to hold, etc. Whilst rendering annually to the said lord of Tottonia ten *denarii* sterling at the festival of St. Michael and one *denarium* rent "Estergabuli" at

Easter according to the portion of the said tenement of the said Robertus Walterus and Margareta for all service, etc. I the aforesaid Emma, etc., also undertake to warranty the aforesaid *aula* with adjoining place, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Fonte; 2 Ricardus Tuc; 3 Willelmus de Cobeton'; 4 Iohannes Toliro; 5 Iohannes Iordan then provost of Tottonia, and many others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday next after the festival of Saint Valentine in the fourth year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward (Monday after 14th February, 1311).

Appended on parchment tag round seal, about 1in. diameter. Central device, eight foliated star. Inscription, S. EMME DE SPERKEWILL.

1311. 2nd April. A licence was granted to Frater Philip, Prior of Minster to travel in foreign parts; he was to return before Pentecost under a penalty of ten pounds (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 290).

1317. This same Prior was admonished by the Bishop to remain resident in his Priory, but on the representation of the Prior's friends on 9th May, 1317, this monition was withdrawn, and licence to go abroad on important business affecting his Priory was granted him, but he was to return before the feast of St. Peter ad Vincula (1st August).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 918. 1311. Monday before 23rd April. I Iohannes Scote son of Henricus Scote of Tottonia have given to Willelmus de Colyn son of Nicholaus (son) of Petrus all my right in a mesuage in the burg of Tottonia which is between the mesuage which Iohannes Data held on the west side and the mesuage which Mattheus de Boclonde held on the east side together with all my right in that garden near "la Walcrofte" which lies between the garden which formerly belonged to Iohannes le Floyt on the east side and the garden which Mattheus de Boclonde held on the west side. Also one *denarium* annual rent proceeding from a house called "le Langehous" which Mattheus de Boclannde and Margeria his wife have held to Easter. Likewise together with the reversion of all mesuages, gardens, rents, etc., which Benedictus Iuynte held in Tottonia by the law of England (possibly a Jew). For this Willelmus has given me satisfaction. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Vincencio Tuck; 2 Ricardo Tuck; 3 Ricardo Scos; 4 Iohanne de Blakedonne; 5 Iohanne Iordan, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday before the festival of St. George in the 4th year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward.

1311. On 30th October Bishop Stapeldon, at the request of Sir Nicholas de Mottey, Vicar of Tottonia, who was aged and infirm, appointed the Prior of Totnes to be his coadjutor in the work of the parish (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 390).

1311. On 29th October Bishop Stapeldon visited Totnes for the fifth time, on his way to Plympton (*ibidem*, fo. 551).

1312. On 11th March a large number were again ordained, coming from all parts of the diocese—as if the Conventual Church was at that time considered a convenient centre.

On 5th March, from Peynctone, Bishop Stapeldon writes to Sir Walter Daumarle, Rector of the Church of Ashprington (to which he had been appointed as coadjutor with Nicholas de Mothaye on the 5th February, 1308-9, owing to the want of discretion of the latter) remitting to him (Sir Walter) all necessity for rendering an account of the administration of the rents, as the Bishop had full confidence in his good faith (*ibidem*, fo. 35).

Dart. Mun. Deed. No. 919. 1312.

10th November. I Edwardus Swetyg son of Mattheus Coffyn have given to Willelmus Colyn son of Nicholaus Altarbrigge my share of a tenement in the ville of Totton' which lies between the tenement which Mabilla de Langedene formerly held on the east side and the tenement which Willelmus de Hemmystonne formerly held on the west side. And the said share of the tenement lies between the share which Petrus Swetyg held in the front part and the share which Petrus and Margareta my sister held in the back part. And the fourth part of the yard adjoining the said tenement. And the whole of my share of a garden lying in length between the said yard and the land which Ioel Grower formerly held. And the said share lies between the land of the said Ioel on one side and the land of Petrus Swetyg on the other. Also the whole of my share the third part of another garden lying on the west side and to the north of the land of Thoma de Strete and on the south side of the land which formerly was occupied by the said Ioel Grower.

To have and to hold, etc. For this Willelmus has given me ten *solidi* sterling; I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by;

1 Iohanne de Fonte; 2 Willelmo de Cobbetonne; 3 Iohanne de

Blakedonne; 4 Augustino Bastard then provost of Tottonia; 5 Ricardo Scoz; 6 Willelmo Colman; 7 Willelmo called Parson, and others. Dated at Tottonia on Friday the eve of St. Martin in the 6th year of the reign of King Edward son of of King Edward.

Tot. Court Roll, M29. 1313. Tuesday after 18th October.

Single membrane, eighteen inches by nine inches. Small Arabic 2 in left corner.

Court of the Community of Totton held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 7th year of King Edward II.

Iohannes Hynget is questioned that he sold goods the property (*mercimonium*) of the bridge of Totton without the sanction of his associate (*i.e.* fellow-warden) and consideration of (the interests of) the Community of Totton. Since the said Iohannes comes and acknowledges the sale, the whole Court decides that he shall pay 6½*s.* for the said goods towards the work of the bridge and he gave bail to the Community for amends. 6*s.*

Willelmus Parsun is questioned because he refuses to pay his tallage *viz.* 15*d.* and lowers the authority of the collectors and brings contempt upon the Community. The decision of the whole Court is that the said Willelmus is to be distrained and make full satisfaction of the said tallage and expenses from the festival of St. Dionisius the Martyr.

Galfridus Tyrel made default therefore to be distrained.

Tuesday before 1st November.

Court held on Tuesday before the festival of All Saints in the above year.

Galfridus Tyrel *versus* the Community of Totton for many misdeeds—per Walterus Ballard.

Willelmus Parsun summoned because he abused Walterus Monner the seneschal in open Court therefore he is in default and to be distrained.

Willelmus Parsun summoned because he held the whole Community of Totton in contempt (*contemptum fecit*) in open Court. He does not come therefore is in default.

Iohannes Medicus is summoned because he refused the office of constable of the peace. He does not come therefore is in default and to be distrained.

Stephanus Haag is summoned because he abused the twelve men, because he presented in the court of the lord that the men who have the walls keep them in bad repair that they are broken and that the lord ought to levy distraint.

Nicholaus de Porta because he forbad the seizure of goods by the bailiffs and the same comes and offers bail for amends on condition that

he pays 5*s.* at the festival of the Nativity of the Lord in the above year and if he omits to make the said payment then he shall pay 10*s.*

It is decided in full Court that the men of the Abbat of Torre are to be distrained because the aforesaid Abbat does not make satisfaction of arrears.

Augustinus Bastard, provost of the burg of Totton, gives notice in full Court of the Community of Totton that the letters received from the Sheriff should be hung on one file (*filum*) in the chamber of Thomas de Cobeton.

1313. Tuesday after 10th November.

Court held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Martin the Confessor in the aforesaid year.

Henricus de Cobeton *versus* Iohannes de Fonte and Thomas de Cobeton Mayors (*Maiores*) of the Community of the ville of Totton' concerning service to the Community per Iohannes Bruere.

Willelmus de Cobeton on behalf of the same per Walterus Scotebardy.

Ricardus Scoz in the same manner per Iohannes his son.

Willelmus Pyl on behalf of the same: afterwards comes.

Willelmus Parsun better to be distrained on account of default.

Galfridus Tyrel gave security for agreement on account of defalcation. 6*d.*

The same Galfridus is cited because he concealed Walterus Grendel against the liberty and is acquitted because it was not even to the harm of the Community.

Iohannes Medicus gave security on account of default and because he refused the office of constable.

Stephanus Hag by default.

Benedictus le Junta is summoned: because he does not come therefore is to be distrained.

Willelmus Parsun to be distrained for one (*corceby vir'*) value 4*d.* and for one dish (*patella*) value 8*d.* and if he does not give satisfaction to be further distrained.

Tuesday after 25th November.

Court held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Katerina the Virgin in the above year.

Henricus de Cobeton, Willelmus de Cobeton, Ricardus Scoz (*opculere per esson'*) make excuses for not appearing.

Benedictus Iunce gave security on account of defalcation.

Willelmus Parson gave security on account of many defalcations.

The same Willelmus gave security to make amends on account of many misdeeds. 6*d.*

1314. Tuesday after 29th June. Court held on Tuesday after the festival of the Apostles Peter and Paul in the 7th year of King Edward II.

Sonder (possibly abbreviation of Alexander) Pyl makes excuses to the Community for many misdeeds. Excuses.

Stephanus Strete is cited that he bought and sold contrary to the liberty and is subject to the law that he has not 14*s.* 1*d.* in goods. Sureties Thomas Strete and Willelmus Ballard. Fulfilled the law.

Edmundus the fisherman gives security to make amends because he deceived (*celavit*) Walterus Kallard in customs (*mercemoniatis*). 2*d.*

Ricardus Kallard gives security to make amends because he deceived in the same manner Walterus Kallard. 2*d.*

Galfridus Tyrel gives security to make amends because he deceived Walterus Grenda in customs. 3*d.*

Tuesday before 20th July. Court held on Tuesday before the festival of St. Margaret the Virgin in the 8th year of King Edward II.

Alfredus Tuck gives security to the Community because he hindered the seizure of goods.

Alfredus Tuck gives security to the Community because he abused Willelmus de Bosco the collector and found sureties Galfridus Stokelyn and Walterus Stocehard.

Willelmus Dobyn is summoned to produce Cecelia his wife because she hindered the seizure of goods. He does not come therefore is in default.

Tuesday after 22nd July. Court held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Mary Magdalene in the 8th year of King Edward II.

Sonder Pyl is at law *versus* the Community for that he does not (*cohapervit*) Sibilla Pyl in her purchases (*in mercandis suis*): he is unable to deny that he has been asked. He afterwards comes and gives security to make amends. Surety Ricardus Bancumbe for himself and the said Sibilla.

Willelmus Dobyn made default, to be further distrained.

Ricardus Scoz is summoned to produce Iohannes his son to answer to the Community for many misdeeds. He does not come therefore is in default.

1313. 22nd December, on the occasion of Bishop Stapledon's seventh recorded visit to Totnes, a large ordination was held in the Conventual Church (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 552).

1314. On 26th February Prior Iocelinus of Totton, together with Prior Philip of Tywardreath in the name of Frater John, Abbat of St. Sergius and St. Bachus, Angers, presented to Bishop Stapeldon Frater Richard Portel,

monk, to be installed Prior of the Priory church of Laministre *alias* de Talkarn (Minster Priory) (*ibidem*, fo. 235).

1314. On Friday, the eve of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary (2nd July), Iocelinus Prior of Tottoni is the fourth witness with: 1 Robertus Abbat of Tavistock; 2 Mathia Prior of Plympton; 3 Petrus Abbat of Buffestre (Buckfast), and 5 Rogerus de Charleton Archdeacon of Totton, to an undertaking drawn up at Ashperton by the provost and burghers of the town to provide for a priest, books and the necessary furniture to celebrate divine service in the Chapel of Saint Laurence at Ashperton (Ashburton) (Oliver, *Lives of Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 70).

1314. On 29th November Master Peter de Grimestone, priest, who resigned the Rectory of East Ogwell, was installed Vicar of Broadclyst on the nomination of the Prior and Convent of Totnes, Sir William de Burneestre, priest, having previously resigned the living (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 197).

Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed. Ex. Mun. Deed

The said burgesses (of Totton'), on a rumour that the King's tin by tin workers (*stagniatores*) and others was sold and bought by night and day, not marked, at the time when it was forbidden by the King that tin should be marked or sold, except "Lumberd" by the common counsel of the Lord's Bailiffs and of the Commonalty, constables of the peace, and Sheriff, summoned a jury of 12 men and other trustworthy men of the Hundred, who indicted John Janet and Ivo Hyne to be guilty of the said fact. Janet afterwards came to Totton' and the burgesses made search and found seven pieces of tin next the Chapel of Saint Peter in Little Totton' hidden in a stable dungheap and elsewhere. By order of the Sheriff Robert de Horton and Coroner Iohannes de Bykbury he was sent to Exeter Castle. How he was set at liberty they know not. The deputy Mattheus de Cornwethoru delivered the tin to the Bailiffs of the Stannery by the King's writ. And now Thomas de Scyrygge and Henry his under-bailiff impleads and grieves (the burgesses) making the King (Edward II) party to his suit, charging them with having unjustly imprisoned Janet; and he causes the Bailiffs of the Stannary to summon the burgesses to their Court at "Aysch'perton" (Ashburton) to the prejudice of the Lord and of the liberty of the borough.

Thomas de Scyrygge was Sheriff 1314-1317 (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xi, fo. 379).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxvi.
1315. To all, etc., Agatha daughter of Galfridus le Bon and Margery his wife greeting. Be it known that in my widowhood I have granted to Willelmus Deacon "parsonn" of Tottonia and to Michael his son all my right and

claim which I have, etc., in the whole of that mesuage in the burgh of Tottonia with curtilage adjoining which lies between the mesuage which Ricardus Parys formerly held on the east side and the mesuage which Willelmus de London formerly held on the west side. To have and to hold the aforesaid mesuage, etc., to Willelmus and Michael, etc., subject to the lord of the fief. Whilst rendering annually to the said lord customary service. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Fonte; 2 Iohannes de Blakedone; 3 Ricardus Scos; 4 Robertus Laurans; 5 Willelmus Colyn, then provost of the burgh of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next before the festival of Saint Barnabas the Apostle in the eighth year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward (Saturday before 11th June, 1315).

No tag or seal appended, and from the discoloured parchment, no parchment strip has been affixed certainly for a very long time.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxvii.

To all, etc., Robertus Gosse citizen of Exeter greeting. Be it known that I have quit claimed to Brother Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place all right and claim which I have, etc., in all that tenement in the burgh of Tottonia which is held from the same and which is between the tenement of Willelmus Prage on one side and the tenement of Nicholas ad Portam on the other. Whilst retaining for myself no rent, service or claim. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Fonte; 2 Iohannes de Blakedon; 3 Walterus Spicer; 4 Galfridus Dolle Garstonne; 5 Robertus Laveranz, and many others.

Appended parchment tag to which is attached the lower half of a round seal with impression five-eights of an inch in diameter. Central device probably intended for a falcon pouncing on a hare; lettering difficult to determine.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxviii.

Be it known, etc., that I Iohannes de Taunton son of Henricus de Taunton have given, etc., and quit claimed to Robertus Gosse citizen of Exeter all that tenement in Tottonia which is between the tenement which Michael Duram formerly held on the east side and the tenement which Nicholaus de Porta formerly held. To hold and to have to the

aforesaid Robertus, etc., subject to the lords (of the fief) in perpetuity. Whilst rendering annually to the sacristan of the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia twelve *denarii* sterling at the four principal terms of the year in equal portions for all services, etc. For this gift, etc., the said Robertus has given me fourteen *solidi* sterling hand money whilst I the said Iohannes undertake to warranty the said tenement, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present writing.

Witnessed by:

1 Michael de Mallestone; 2 Vinc(entus) le Tuck; 3 Willelmus Pil; 4 Ricardus Tuck; 5 Iohannes de Fonte, and others.

Appended parchment tag but no seal, apparently broken away.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxix.

To all, etc., Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place greeting. Be it known that by common consent we have given to Willelmus Odo de Kyngeswerre a piece of land at Kyngeswerre which lies between the land of Willelmus Wymund on the east side and the land of Willelmus de Fissacre on the west side by metes and bounds arranged between us. To have and to hold, etc., whilst rendering annually to us, etc., two *denarii* sterling at Easter for all service, etc., except one suit of Court at our Court of Uppetone annually on la Hockedaye on reasonable summons of eight days. And for this gift, etc., the aforesaid Willelmus has satisfied us with hand money, whilst we Iocelinus the aforesaid Prior, etc., undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing we have alternately appended our seals to the present written indenture.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus Hurteby; 2 Walterus le Jouter (*le jouteur*—tilter or fencer); 3 Willelmus Purs; 4 Radulfus de Uppeton; 5 Willelmus Charles, and others.

On reverse, "Charter of Willelmus Ode de Kynguswer." "Concerning two *denarii* annual rent and one suit of Court at Upptun."

Appended parchment tag with small round seal three-quarters of an inch diameter. Central device, a ship with central mast; inscription round undecipherable.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxx.

Be it known that I Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place have given to Victor son of Ricardus of Bynneleghe two acres of land in Aysprington which lie beyond the bridge of Steveneboghe towards the west adjacent to the water of Hurburne on the south side in

length and in width as per bounds and partitions arranged by us. To hold and to have the aforesaid two acres with surrounding ditches, etc., excepting to us the whole watercourse on either side together with profit and fishery of the same water. Whilst rendering annually the aforesaid Victor to us two *solidi* sterling at the four principal terms of the year in equal portions, for all service, etc. For this gift the aforesaid Ricardus (in this instance the lettering is certainly Ricardus) has given us half a marc of silver hand money. And we, etc., hold to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing therefore we, as well as the aforesaid Ricardus, have alternately appended our seals to the duplicated writing arranged in the manner of cyrography.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus de Pym; 2 Willelmus de Grimestone; 3 Galfridus de Bosco; 4 Petrus Priour; 5 Willelmus de Coleton, and many others.

On reverse: "Charter of Ricardus de Bineleghe concerning two acres of land in Aysprington."

Appended parchment tag has been sealed, but only traces of the wax remain.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxi.

To all, etc., Iocelinus Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place greeting. We have granted to Iohannes le Petit and Nichola his wife all that land (right side of parchment has been fretted away, probably by mice) together with the whole easement of the water of Hurborne as far as the aforesaid land reaches. Which same land lies between the land of ( ) of Wasseborne towards the salt sea on the other side. To have and to hold, etc. Whilst paying us annually three *solidi* sterling at the four terms of the year ( ) namely to find a light horseman (? *semel howiare baticere*) or to pay one *denarinm*, once to plough or to pay three *denarii* and once to mow ( ). And excepting service to our Court of Aysprinton annually ( ) ( ). In witness of which thing we the aforesaid Prior, etc., have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus de Scobehille; 2 Ricardus de Bynnelegh; 3 Willelmus ( ); 4 Willelmus Purs; 5 Petrus Priour de Francumbe and others.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next after the festival of Saint Nicholas (6th December) in the year ( ).

Appended parchment tag, but seal has become quite detached.

Unfortunately actual date has been destroyed.

Black Hall Collectanea, No. 3. 2nd January, 1316.

To all the faithful, etc., Nicholaus Daune Lord of the land of Bailleford in the manor of Hurberton greeting. Be it known that when Henricus de Nonant formerly was Lord of Hurberton he gave to God and to the church of the Blessed Mary of Totton and to the monks serving God there his mill of Hurberton with the right of grinding as his charter states. (Here follows a copy of deed, see page 130). And as now a new contention has arisen between us the said Nicholaus and Iocelinus the Prior that the pool and mill race (*stagnum et bedum*) of the said mill are certainly on my land and moreover that by the overflowing of the water retained in the said mill race my land on both sides of the mill race is seriously deteriorated, since by the intervention of mutual friends the dissension is arranged in this manner. I the said Nicholaus ratify and confirm the aforementioned charter. I agree to and will that the aforesaid Prior and his successors shall have and hold the aforesaid mill, pool and mill race henceforth free and quit as contained in the charter with free ingress and egress through my land for repairing as much as may be necessary the aforesaid mill, etc. I also have granted to the same Prior and monks, etc., that they shall have for the enlarging of their mill race two feet of my land in width throughout the length of the mill race on either side. And that they may inundate that mill race and dig that ground in enlarging the mill race, etc., etc., without any objection on my part. I undertake to warranty, etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Thoma de Cyrecestr' knight; 2 Lord Nicholaus de Kirkham knight; 3 Lord Iohannes de Bikebiry knight; 4 Willelmus de Grimeston'; 5 Willelmus de Coleton'; 6 Iohannes de Bynnelegh'; 7 Petrus Priour of Stancumbe, and others.

Dated at Totton' on Friday the morrow of the Circumcision of the Lord in the ninth year of the reign of King Edward II.

On reverse: "Charter of the mill of Hurberton." In English: "A grant for ingresse and egresse upon ye lords land of Hurberton for clensing and scowring of the milleete."

Appended small round seal in black wax, diameter seven-eighths of an inch. Inscription in outer circle is undecipherable, but does not seem to record the name of the donor. The central device is a square shaped shield with cotised bend, the charge cannot be detected.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 920.

I Willelmus de Pyn son of Petrus de Pyn have granted to Iohannes Martin son of Martin the smith of Totton the whole of that tenement

1st February, 1315.

with adjoining curtilage in the burg of Tottonia outside the east gate on the south side towards the bridge of Tottonia. Which property lies between the tenement of Iohannes de Fonte on the west side and the tenement of Walterus son of Benedictus le Bon on the east side. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering service due, etc. Rendering also annually to the heirs or assigns of Walterus de Wasseburne two *solidi* sterling at the four principal terms in equal portions. For this Iohannes has given me half a silver marc while I Willelmus hold to warranty the property to him. In witness of which thing I have affixed my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne de Fonte; 2 Willelmo de Cobetonne; 3 Iohanne de Bynneleghe; 4 Ricardo de Bynneleghe junior; 5 Stephano de Brockeyete; 6 Petro Priur de Stoncumbe; 7 Willelmo Colyn then provost of the burg of Tottonia and many others. Dated at Totton on the Sabbath on the eve of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In the 8th year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward.

Appended seal with six-sided impression, five-eighths of an inch across, enclosing a three-branched floral device, with inscription S. WILL. DE. PYN.

1316.

20th February. When the Parliament at Lincoln required every township to furnish the King with one man at arms. In the record the following occurs: "The township of Asperyngton (Ashprington) with Didesham (Dittisham) a member belonging thereto; and the lord of the same is the Prior of Totton" (*Feud Aids*, 378).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 921. 1315.

I Matheus de Boclonde have granted to Willelmus Colyn all that tenement in Tottonia called "le Langehous" which I bought from Willelmus Scote, Iohannes Scote and Alicia their sister which lies near the curtilage of the said Willelmus on the north side and the wall of the burg of Tottonia on the south side and between the land of Iohannes Date on the west side and the land of Martin Pocok on the east side. To have and to hold the said tenement with free entrance and exit by means of the wall of the burg of Tottonia and with all other easements, etc. Rendering customary service due. Rendering also annually by the said Willelmus his heirs, etc., to me, etc., twelve *denarii* sterling annually at the four terms. For this Willelmus has given me three *libri* sterling whilst I hold to warranty, etc. In witness I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne de Fonte; 2 Willelmos de Cobeton; 3 Augustino Bastard;

4 Willelmo Pyl; 5 Willelmo Parson; 6 Stephano Hag; 7 Iohanne Iordan, and others.

Dated at Totton on Tuesday next after the festival of the birth of the Blessed Mary the Virgin (8th September), in the 9th year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward.

Appended oval seal, one and a half inches by seven-eighths of an inch, with inscription not distinct.

1316. On the 18th September a sixth large ordination was held by Bishop Stapeldon in the Conventual Church—the eighth recorded visit (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 554).

1317. On 23rd March from Stokwille Bishop Stapeldon addresses a long letter to the Prior, Frater Iocelinus of Tottonia, reminding him of his duties owing to the several churches owned by the Priory in the diocese and the necessity for the Prior residing in the Priory or elsewhere in the diocese and summoning the Prior, under threat of excommunication, to appear before him within fifteen days from the receipt of the letter.

On 24th March a similar letter was addressed to the Prior of Tywardraithe, and through him to the Prior of Mynstre (*ibidem*, fo. 391).

Frater Philip Prior of Minster was admonished by Bishop Stapeldon to remain resident in his Priory, but on the representation of his friends on 9th May, 1317, this "*Monicio*" was withdrawn and Licence to go abroad on important business affecting his Priory was granted to the Prior, but he was to return before the feast of St. Peter ad Vincula (1st August) (*ibidem*, fo. 290).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 922. 1317. I Willelmus son of Matheus de Bokelonde have granted to Willelmus Colyn of Tottonia all my mesuages lands and tenements within and without the town of Tottonia. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering service due, etc. For this grant, etc., Willelmus has given me satisfaction and I the aforesaid Willelmus hold to warranty, etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne de Fonte; 2 Iohanne de Blakedonne; 3 Iohanne de Esse; 4 Ricardo Scoz; 5 Martino Rendel; 6 Galfrido dolle Grestonne; 7 Willelmo Baronn de la Werlonde, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Tuesday after the festival of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist (29th August), in the 11th year of King Edward son of King Edward.

Appended oval seal, one and five-eighths inches by one inch with

inscription round and initials in centre; many letters are blurred, those legible are very crudely cut, and appear in some cases to be inverted.

1318. King Edward II granted to Abbat Campbell and the monks of Tavistock a market and an annual fair in September, also view of frankpledge in their manor of Devenebury (Denbury near Newton Abbot). The sanction of such commercial opposition (see under the year 1295) would be much resented by the neighbouring market towns, including Totnes.

27th April. Licence was granted to Prior Philip of Tywardreath to visit the Abbey of St. Sergius beyond the sea. The licence was witnessed by: Lord Ricardus de Braileghe, Nicholas de Hele, Willelmus Russel, priest, and by the writer of the document, Ricardus de Twyvertone (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 395).

On the 5th May the Bishop was at Totnes on his way to Paignton (*ibidem*, fo. 554).

On the 7th May Frater Ioceline, Prior of Totnes, was appointed coadjutor of Sir William, Vicar of Brixham (*ibidem*, fo. 86).

1319. On the 25th June Bishop Stapeldon granted licence to Sir Philip, Prior of Tywardreath to visit the Abbey of St. Sergius beyond the sea. He was to start before Michaelmas, and return within two months (*ibidem*, fo. 395).

The 22nd December, on the occasion of the Bishop's tenth visit to Totnes, he held a rather smaller ordination than previously in the Conventual Church—the seventh held in Totnes during his Episcopacy (*ibidem*, fo. 556).

Tot. Guild Roll, M20. Single membrane twenty-one and a half inches by nine inches.

Totton. "Roll of the Community of the burg of Totton containing the names entered in the Gild of Merchants in the 13th year of King Edward II."

In the time of Iohannes de Esse and Galfridus de Greston.

1319. Tuesday after 11th November. Iohanes Uda (probably the Jew) entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Martin in the 13th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase and gives to the Community 10*s*. Sureties Iohannes de Huddesdon and Willelmus Colyn and took the oath. Fine 10*s*. fordede.

Willelmus Hinepere entered on the same day and gives to the Community 12*s*. Sureties Thomas de Cobeton and Willelmus Colyn and took the oath. Fine 12*s*. fordede.

Iohannes Crecke de Westleghe entered on Tuesday mentioned by the gift of Isobella Hag. Sureties Robertus Laurans and Iohannes Knyt the Marshall and took the oath. Double fordede.

Thursday before 21st December.

Ricardus molendinarius called Crespin entered on Thursday before the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle succeeded Henricus molendinarius his father and gives the Community 2*s.* 6*d.* Sureties Galfridus Scote and Iohannes de Ponte. Fine 2*s.* 6*d.* triple fordede.

Willelmus Whyta called Batyn entered on Thursday before the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle by ordinary purchase and gives 8*s.* Sureties Galfridus Scote Hopere and Ricardus molendinarius called Crespyn. Fine 8*s.* fordede.

1320. Tuesday after 22nd February.

Eudo Pirye de Dodebroke entered on Tuesday after the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary by ordinary purchase and gives 10*s.* Sureties Willelmus Fayresone de Cottebury and Iohannes Hynget.

Friday, 22nd February.

Willelmus Calowa called Leg de Modbiri entered on Friday in the festival of St. Peter in Cathedra in the 13th year of King Edward II in succession to Bartholomeus Dolyn brother of Galfridus Dolyn by gift of the said Galfridus. Sureties Willelmus Parsonn and Thomas de Cobeton. Fine 2*s.* double fordede.

Iohannes Truman de Parkehille entered on Friday before mentioned by ordinary purchase. Sureties Ricardus Scosz and Willelmus Colyn. Fine 8*s.* fordede.

Tuesday after 14th April.

Willelmus son of Ricardus Guerde entered on Tuesday after the festival of SS. Tiburcius and Valerianus in the 13th year of King Edward II in succession to Rosemunde daughter of Benedictus de Fonte by gift of Ricardus Guerde brother of the said Rosemunde and gives the Community on entry 3*s.* 4*d.* Sureties Ricardus Guerda and Adam son of Garet. Fine 3*s.* 4*d.* triple fordede.

Wednesday before 12th March.

Walterus Bynnemore son of Iohannes Bynnemore entered on Wednesday before the festival of St. Gregory the Martyr in the 13th year of King Edward II by gift of Elena sister of Iohannes Ruuard in succession to the said Iohannes Ruuard by the consent of Iohannes Bynnemore husband of the said Elena. And gives the Community on entry 3*s.* Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Adam son of Garet. Fine 3*s.* triple fordede.

Tuesday, 6th May.

Adam de Langetrewe entered on Tuesday in the festival of St. John the Evangelist in the 13th year of King Edward II. And gives 7*s.* Sureties Iohannes de Huddesdon and Ricardus de Plympstoke and by ordinary purchase. Fine 7*s.* fordede.

Sunday after 6th May.

Willelmus Cole son of Martinus Cole molendinarius entered on Sunday after the festival of St. John before the Latin Gate in succession to

Martinus Cole his father. And gives on entry 2*s*. Sureties Walterus Michel and Iohannes de Holewyll. Fine 2*s*. double fordede.

Saturday before 24th June.

Thomas de Wymburne-ministre entered on Saturday before the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist by ordinary purchase. And gives 8*s*. Sureties Willelmus Ballard and Iohannes Parys. Fine 8*s*. fordede.

Tuesday after 9th October.

Walterus Roberd son of Robertus de Nyweton entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Dyonisius in the 14th year of King Edward II in succession to Martinus Stile by gift of Elena daughter and heir of the said Martinus Stile. And gives 2*s*. Sureties Hugo de Brodeche and Willelmus de la Lake. Fine 2*s*. double fordede.

Wednesdayafter 9th October.

Nicholas Kyug entered on Wednesday after the festival of St. Dionisius in the 18th (? probably a mistake) year of King Edward II by gift of Henricus de Blakedon and Iohannes de Huddesdon seneschals for that year. Sureties Benedictus Geygte and Walterus le Kyng.

Tot. Guild Roll, M21.

Single membrane eleven inches by five and a half inches.

1320. 14th October.

On Tuesday in the festival of St. Kalixtus the Pope in the 14th year of King Edward II. Iohannes de Huddesdon and Robertus Lauranz received the care of the office of seneschals of the Gyld of Merchants of Totton'.

Tuesday, 11th November.

Iohannes Soz entered on Tuesday in the festival of St. Martin and gives 4*s*. Sureties Iohannes de Esse and Iohannes de Blakedon. Fine 4*s*. fordede.

1321. Friday after 1st January.

Iohannes Pers entered on Friday after the festival of the Circumcision by way of the liberty granted to Iohannes Let by the Council of the whole Community which the said Iohannes Let has given to Iohannes Pers. Sureties Iohannes de Esse and Walterus le Spicer together with his tenements. By gift of Community.

Monday, 2nd February.

Ricardus son of Henricus molendinarius entered on Monday in the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary by ordinary purchase and gives 5*s*. Sureties Augustinus Bastard and Iohannes Bastard. Fine 5*s*. fordede.

Sunday after 2nd February.

Iohannes Crocker entered on Sunday after the Purification and gives 5*s*. Sureties Ioel Amyet and Edward Daniel. Fine 5*s*. fordede.

Tuesday, 21st September.

Iohannes Flewyn entered on Tuesday in the festival of St. Matthew the Apostle and gives 8*s*. Sureties Iohannes de Esse and Iohannes Gybbe. Fine 8*s*. fordede.

Robertus Ysaac entered on the same day by gift of the seneschals. Sureties Galfridus Scoteveale and Iohannes Memun. By gift of the seneschals.

Walterus Tavy entered on the same day and gives 6*s*. 8*d*. Sureties Thomas de Cobeton and Iohannes Gybbe. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*. fordede.

Monday before 14th October.

Mattheus Kena entered on Monday before the festival of St. Kalixtus the Pope in the 15th year of King Edward II and gives 5*s*. Sureties Iohannes de Huddesdon and Robertus Lauranz. Fine 5*s*. fordede.

Tuesday before 14th October.

Walterus de Porta son of Nicholaus de Porta entered in succession to his father on Tuesday before the festival of St. Kalixtus the Pope and gives 2*s*. Sureties Walterus Spicer and Iohannes de Fonte together with his tenements. Fine 2*s*. fordede.

1321.

On 6th February from Chuddeleghe Bishop Walter Stapeldon caused an agreement to be formulated between the Prior and Convent of Tottonia and Lord Simon Stiria, priest, perpetual Vicar of the church of Brixham, of which the following is the purport :

That the said Vicar and his successors should have the dwelling (*mansio*) with garden which the said Simon now occupies and the whole altar offerings (*altilagium*) of the said church of Brixham and its chapels except half of the tithes of profit (*feni*) and of all mills which is to remain to the Prior and Convent.

The Vicar is to receive all tithes of gardens and orchards not exceeding 10 perches in extent in one place and if this dimension is exceeded in any future case the tithe of such garden, etc., is to go to the Prior and Convent. But if from gardens and orchards already constructed anything, over 10 perches, shall be returned to arable land, the whole tithe of those gardens and orchards as well as the whole tithe of the garden of the Lord of the Manor of Brixham shall belong not to the Prior but to the Vicar entirely. The tithe of all gardens and orchards, exceeding 10 perches in one place, to go to the Priory.

The Prior and Convent are to repair all defects in the chancel of Brixham church in the fittings (*coopertura*) glass windows, books and other furniture of the same from their own means and from then the burden of maintaining in repair shall rest upon the Vicar and his successors. The Vicar and his successors shall pay the tithe according to the ancient taxation of the Vicar incumbent upon the Vicarage whenever it shall be imposed, the procuration of the Archdeacon, the Synod and Cathedral taxes and shall serve the said church of Brixham and its chapels honestly and in the customary manner.

All other burdens of the church of Brixham belong to the Prior and Convent.

The aforesaid Vicar Simon and his successors are to pay to the Prior

and Convent an annual pension of 26*s.* 8*d.* at Easter, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, St. Michael and at Christmas or within the octave of those festivals in equal portions.

Reserving the right to the Bishop of Exeter to alter the present ordination or taxation (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 87).

Tot. Mun. Copy of Deed in the Horsfield Collectanea, Ipswich. 1321. Monday after 25th July.

May the present and future know that I Ricardus de Faleville burgher of Totton' with the consent of Agatha my wife have given to Henricus de Yaleburne merchant and to Isabella my daughter in free marriage all that mesuage with adjoining curtilage in the burg of Totton, which mesuage is between the mesuage which Petrus de Cumpton formerly held on the west side and the mesuage which formerly belonged to Iohannes de Fonte on the east side. And the half of that garden within the precincts of the burg of Totton' which formerly belonged to Iohannes Stock above the mill leat (*bedum*) of the lord of Totton' near to the land called La Bye (? should this read Lye). And the half of six acres at Northeford in the manor of Dertyngton which are between the land which Henricus de Cobeton' formerly held on the west side and the land which Iohannes Floyt and Stephanus Hag held on the east side. To have and to hold, etc., from the lords of the fee rendering the service due. Clause of warranty. Clause of reversion to grantor if grantee has no heir. I Ricardus as well as the aforesaid Henricus and Isabella have appended our seals alternately.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Fonte; 2 Iohannes Beck; 3 Augustinus Bastard; 4 Willelmus de Cobeton'; 5 Thomas de Cobeton'; 6 Iohannes de Esse; 7 Walterus Spicer; 8 . . . then provost of the burg of Totton', and others. Dated at Totton' on Monday after the festival of St. James the Apostle in the 15th year of King Edward son of King Edward.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxii. 1321.

Be it known, etc., that I Ricardus Fossing de Wodehiwisse have given, etc., to Iohannes son of Rogerus le Milleward all that mesuage in Kynghyswere situated between the mesuage of Laurencius Gigga on the north side and the tenement of Galfridus de Kynghyswere on the south side. To have and to hold to the said Iohannes, etc., subject to the lords of that fief. Whilst rendering annually to the said lords rent and service due, etc. For this gift the aforesaid Iohannes has given me four marcs of silver hand money whilst I the aforesaid Ricardus Fossing undertake to

warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Nicholaus Penayllis; 2 Nicholaus de Restercumbe; 3 Willelmus Pours de Uppatonne; 4 Ricardus de Wynstonne; 5 Thomas Fossyng, and many others.

Dated at Wodehiwysse on Tuesday on the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary. In the 15th year of the reign of King Edward the son of King Edward (Tuesday, 8th September, 1321).

Appended parchment tag which has apparently had seal affixed.

This deed is written in the same handwriting as cxx and cxxiii.

1. Penayllis family. 19th December, 1409. Licence for an oratory was granted to Elias Penellys and Margaret his wife in the Chapel of St. Katherine in their mansion in the parish of Brixham (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 278).

Elias Peniles was of "Luckton" (hodie Lupton) in the parish of Brixham (*Pole*, p. 283).

Pennyls or Pennells, an ancient Cornish stock, possessed Lupton from the thirteenth century until 1480, and their arms, viz.: "On a chevron Azure, three fishes niant Sable," appear in window in the south wall of Churston Ferrers Church, and also on the font (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xxxvi, fo. 506-16).

Lupton passed, after ownership by the Valletorts and Pomeroys, to the family of Peniles, whose ancestry, before the Conquest, was at Penhale in Cornwall. John Penhale and Richard Penhale were Priors of Plympton about the period 1390.

About 1480 Agnes Pennell, sister and heir of John Pennell, brought the estate to John Upton of Puslinch (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xviii, fo. 205).

Tot. Guild Roll, M22. 1321.

Single membrane, fifteen inches by seven inches. A small Arabic 2 in left hand corner.

Roll of the Community of the burg of Totton' containing the names entered in the Gild of Merchants of Totton in the 15th year of King Edward II. In the time of Iohannes de Blakedon and Willelmus de Cobeton.

Tuesday after 20th November.

Laurencius de Wodeford entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Edmund the King in the 15th year of King Edward II by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. Sureties Willelmus Monner and Willelmus Ballard and took the oath. Fine 6*s*. fordede.

Willelmus Poudram entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Edmund the King by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Laurencius Cissor' the tailor and took the oath. Fine 6*s*. fordede.

Alicia Lovet entered on the same day in succession to Cecilia her sister and gives 12*d*. (in margin only 11*d*.). Sureties Iohannes de Blakedon and Henricus of the same place and took the oath. Fine 11*d*. fordede.

1322. Monday after 6th January.

Agnes daughter of Galfridus Dolle de Garston entered on Monday after the festival of the Epiphany in succession to Robertus Weryng called Blond by gift of Juliana his daughter. Sureties Galfridus Dolle de Garston and Iohannes de Esse. Fine 12*d*. triple fordede.

Iohannes Giffard atte metede entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Esse and Willelmus Monner. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*. fordede.

Ricardus Oldereve son of Willelmus Oldereve de Lancomb entered on Monday as above by ordinary purchase. Sureties Thomas de Cobeton and Iohannes de Esse. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*. fordede.

Sunday before 22nd February.

Thomas Ysaac entered on Sunday before the festival of St. Peter in Cathedra in succession to Robertus Ysaac his brother. Securities Willelmus Pyl and Iohannes Hynget. Double fordede. By succession as heir.

Ysaac Tayllour de Modbyry entered on the same day by ordinary purchase and gives "*ex fine*" (blank space). Sureties Ricardus Tuck and Galfridus Scoteveale. Fine 3*s*. fordede.

Thursday before 11th June.

Vincencius Hag entered on Thursday before the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in succession to Stephanus Hag his father. Sureties Augustinus Bastard and Marcus Galewey. Fine 2*s*. triple fordede.

Monday after 15th August.

Willelmus Parsonn fyzher de Totton' entered on Monday after the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary. Sureties Iohannes de Fonte and Edmund Fyzher. Fine 6*s*. fordede.

Friday before 18th October.

Eustachius mercator de Yalmton entered on Friday before the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 16th year of King Edward II by gift of Alicia Lovet and gives 12*d*. Sureties Iohannes Tuck and Henricus de Blakedon. Fine 12*d*. double fordede.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 923. 1322.

Sunday after 6th January. I Agatha widow of Iohannes Lotya of Aspertonne in my widowhood have granted to Iohannes Martin son of Martin the smith of Tottonia all that tenement with adjacent curtilage in

the burg of Tottonia without the east gate on the south side towards the bridge of Tottonia. Which property lies between the tenement of Iohannes de Fonte on the west side and the tenement of Walterus son of Benedictus le Bon on the east side. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering service due. For this grant Iohannes has given me thirteen *solidi* sterling and I Agatha hold to warranty, etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne de Fonte; 2 Stephano Frye of Tottonia; 3 Yvone de Halghewille; 4 Iohanne Cofyn de Aspertonne; 5 Nicholao Tounman, then provost of Tottonia, and others. Dated at Aspertonne on Sunday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 15th year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward.

Appended small round seal, three-quarters of an inch in diameter, with inscription S. AGATHE LOTYA.

1321. On the 10th September Sir Roger de Nonaunt knt appeared before the Bishop in a certain place called Kalenderehaye (in Exeter) and begged that the Bishop by favour would grant him licence to celebrate mass in his chapel of St. Agnes at Clistone (Broadclyst). The Bishop granted the licence for one year only, the following being witnesses to the document:

1 Master Nicholas de Hele; 2 Lord Iohannes de Schireforde, and 3 Master Thomas de Witteneye (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 301).

No mention is made of permission being asked for or granted by the Prior of Totton who owned the advowson of the parish church.

1322. On the 6th February Sir Simon Stiria, priest, occurs as Vicar of Brixham (*ibidem*, fo. 197).

On the 19th February Bishop Stapeldon visited Totnes for the eleventh and last time before his murder in 1326. He visited the diocese very little after this date (*ibidem*, fo. 557).

Prior Iocelin died on St. Mary Magdalene's day (22nd July) (*ibidem*, fo. 265).

Tot. Mun. Deed L. 1322. Friday after 29th September.

To all the faithful in Christ, etc., Willelmus la Zouche greeting. Be it known that we have quit claimed, etc., all our right in one place of land, etc., in Great Totton' within the north gate which contains in length by breadth nine perches; and lies between the tenement of Ricardus Scoz son of Henricus Milleward on the north side and the close of the lord of Totton on the east side and the road which leads from Totton' towards Dertyngton on the west side and south side; to Walterus Crocker and his heirs. Reserving to us services due to us as lord and two *solidi* and six

denarii sterling annual rent at the usual terms. Clause of warranty. We have alternately appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes atte Wille; 2 Ricardus Tuck; 3 Iohannes de Blakedon'; 4 Robertus Laveranz; 5 Iohannes de Hoddesdon' and others.

Dated at Eyton on Friday after the festival of St. Michael the Archangel in the sixteenth year of King Edward son of King Edward (II).

Appended seal, shield shaped. Centre a stag's head with cross placed between antlers. Inscription round, TIMETE DEUM.

Tot. Guild Roll, M23. 1322.

Single membrane, eight inches by seven inches. Small Arabic 6 in left-hand corner.

Names entered Gild of Merchants of Totton in the 16th year of King Edward II. In the time of Henricus de Blakedon and Galfridus Scoteweale.

Tuesday, 5th December.

Iohannes Rotter entered on Tuesday the eve of St. Nicholas by gift of the Community at the request of Walterus de Badeston. Sureties Willelmus de Cobaton and Iohannes Eor (the word is distinctly "eor," and possibly means also "de Cobaton").

1323. Sunday before 13th January.

Iohanna widow of Iohannes de Dunstorre entered on Sunday before the festival of St. Hillary by gift of the Community at the request of Lord Willelmus Martyn. Sureties Robertus Laverenz and Walterus Spycer.

Henricus de Wyke entered on the same day and gives on entrance 6*s.* 8*d.* Sureties Nicholaus atte Crosse and Galfridus Veale.

Tuesday after 7th July.

Henricus M(?)avel entered on Tuesday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas by gift of Iohanna widow of Iohannes de Dunstorre and gives 40*d.* Sureties Galfridus Stoceveale and Iohannes Ude. Double fordede.

Monday before 8th September.

Henricus Noreys son of Thomas de Strete entered on Monday before the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary in the 17th year of King Edward II by gift of the Community at the request of Lord Willelmus Martyn. Sureties Thomas de Strete and Iohannes de Blakedon. By gift.

Iohannes Scoz entered on the same day by gift of the seneschals. Sureties Thomas de Cober and Alfredus Tuck. By gift.

PRIOR ROBERT DE CONKA.

1323.

Frater Robert de Conka, monk of SS. Sergius and Bachus, Angers, was installed on the 13th January. Patron Sir William la Zouche knt. On the nomination of the Abbat and Convent of the Monastery of SS. Sergius

and Bachus in the presence of master Walterus de Setone, Nicholas de Hele, Lord Willelmus de Pillaunde and Iohannes de Piltone public notary, clerks, and also Philippus de la More, clerk and public notary, who drew up the protocol (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 265).

A Iohannes le Conke, parson of the church of Calstock, clerk, occurs as receiver of the pence of Nicholas of Exeter in a royal writ, dated 30th May, 1335 (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 52).

Tot. Mun. Deed M. Saturday after 19th May. 1323.

To all the faithful of Christ, etc., Willelmus la Zousch Lord of Great Totton' greeting. Be it known we have quit claimed to Iohannes de Huddesdon all right which we have in that space (*placea*) of land in Great Totton which is between the tenement which the same Iohannes formerly held of us on the south side and the tenement which Walterus Crocker formerly held on the north side and the way which leads from Totton' towards Buckfestram through the north gate of the aforesaid ville on the west side and the close of the Lord of Totton' on the east side which same space of land contains in length five perches and in width two perches. Reserving to us, etc., services due, etc., and eighteen *denarii* annual rent at the terms usual in the ville of Totton'. Clause of warranty. The parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes atte Wylle; 2 Iohannes de Esse; 3 Robertus Lauranz; 4 Henricus de Blakedon'; 5 Thomas de Cobeton; 6 Nicholas Tounman; 7 Henricus de Alburne then provost of the burg of Totton', and others.

Dated at Eyton on Saturday after the festival of St. Dunstan in the sixteenth year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward (Edward II).

Appended parchment tag, to which seal has possibly never been affixed.

20th July Frater William Bouges monk of St. Sergius and St. Bachus, Angers, was collated (by lapse) Prior of the Priory Church of Laministre *alias* de Talkarn (Minster Priory) (see "inspeximus," under date 14th March, 1384-85) (*Reg. Bp. Stapeldon*, fo. 235).

1324.

25th May at Westminster a case was heard between Henry de Campo-Arnulphi and Ioan his wife claimant by Richard de Wodewill in Ioan's place and Hugh de Campo-Arnulphi deforciant as to the manor of Tywardrayth. Plea of covenant was summoned. Henry acknowledged the manor to be the right of Hugh as by gift of Henry. For this Hugh granted to Henry and Ioan the said manor and gave it up to them at the Court, etc. This concord was made by precept of the King (Edward II). (*Feet of Fines*, C. 480).

1324. September. Bishop Stapeldon left the diocese, having previously addressed the Dean and Chapter of Exeter on the 9th August from Lawhitton in Cornwall, on the neglected state of several of the parochial churches.

1325. 9th September, Bishop Stapeldon, by the King's desire, accompanied Prince Edward, the heir to the throne, to France to do homage to the French monarch for the provinces of Aquitaine and Poitou.

1326. 2nd October, King Edward II hurried away to Bristol, leaving London in the custody of Bishop Stapeldon, who, on the 15th October, was murdered by a mob in Cheapside.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxiii. 1324. Be it known, etc., that I Galfridus Gilbert de Tottonia have given, etc., to Iohannes Michel and Cecilia his wife all my mesuage wlth adjoining cottage outside the west gate of the burg of Tottonia which same mesuage lies between the tenement which belonged to Walter Baker on the west side and the tenement of Stephanus Redhod on the east side. To have and to hold, etc. Whilst rendering annually two *solidi* of silver at the four principal terms of the year in equal portions and rendering rent and service to the lords of the fief. If it happens that the said Iohannes Cecilia or their heirs are for a whole year in arrears with payment of the said two *solidi* then I the aforesaid Galfridus am licensed to enter upon and hold in fief the aforesaid mesuage without regard to the present writing. If it should happen that the aforesaid Iohannes die without legitimate heir from the aforesaid Cecilia the mesuage is not to be forfeited since I will that it shall remain to Iohannes the brother of the aforesaid Iohannes and to his heirs. To have and to hold, etc., rendering to me annually two *solidi* of silver at the four principal terms of the year in equal portions and doing service to the lords of that fief. And if it should happen that Iohannes the brother of Iohannes be in arrears, etc., then I am licensed, etc. And I the aforesaid Galfridus undertake to warranty to Iohannes Michel and Cecilia his wife or to Iohannes his brother, etc. In witness of which thing we have appended our seals to this present charter divided in the manner of cyrography.

Witnessed by:

1 Augustinus Bastard; 2 Iohannes Bastard; 3 Willelmus Cobeton; 4 Toma de Cobeton; 5 Iohannes de Blakedon, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next after the festival of Saint Michael the Archangel in the eighteenth year of the reign of King Edward son of King Edward (Saturday after the 29th September, 1324).

Appended two well preserved round seals, attached to parchment tag. Left seal, five-eighths of an inch diameter, shows central device, a hare or rabbit with very long ears, facing dexter; letters few and far apart, but too blurred to decipher. Right seal, three-quarters of an inch diameter; centre, a crude fleur de lys; letters, also at intervals, undecipherable.

1326. 12th December, the assent of King Edward II was granted to the election by the Dean and Chapter of James Berkley to succeed Bishop Stapeldon, and, on the 22nd March, 1327, he was consecrated Bishop of Exeter at Canterbury by Archbishop Walter Reynolds. Bishop James Berkley only occupied the see fourteen weeks, as he died at his episcopal manor of Petershayes in the parish of Yartecombe on 24th June, 1327.

1327. Letter received on the 4th January at Exeter to cause Petrus de Grymystone, clerk (Vicar of Broadclyst), to appear before the King's Justices at Westminster on 9th February to answer to Rogerus de Nonant and others for transgressions, etc. (*Reg. Bp. J. de Berkeley*, fo. 16).

11th August, Pope John XXII nominated John de Grandisson to the see, and on Sunday, 18th October, he was consecrated Bishop of Exeter in the Dominican Church at Avignon by the Pope's Vice-Chancellor, Peter, Cardinal-Bishop of Praeneste (Palestina).

1328. The new Bishop did not reach Exeter until June, 1328.

In the words of the Rev. Hingeston-Randolph "he found the whole diocese, including even the Cathedral itself, in dire disorder; his very means of sustenance had been cut off by the almost universal peculation which had been going on for years; and every corner of his vast and most difficult charge demanded the vigorous rule of a firm hand if reformation was ever to be accomplished" (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, preface, fo. xxxiii).

On 25th June Sir Iohannes de Cheverestone received licence from Bishop Grandisson to celebrate divine service in the oratory in his mansion of Yediltone (Ilton Castle in the parish of Marlborough) subject to the Mother Church of West Alvington near Kingsbridge.

On 3rd September a mandate is issued to Iohannes de Hegleghe, apparitor of Exeter, to summon Lord Robertus (de Hulle) perpetual Vicar of (West) Alvyngetone to appear at Exeter before Bishop Grandisson on the Tuesday after the 13th on account of objections of a personal nature (*ibidem*, fo. 351).

On 13th July, at Peyngtone, Frater Adam de la Werlande, warden of the house of Little Tottonia, took the oath of faith and obedience to Bishop Grandisson.

1328. Bishop Grandisson, on assuming the charge of his diocese, was in great straits for money, and appealed from Paignton on the 15th July to the religious houses to assist him to meet the heavy subsidy he had been compelled, on his elevation to the bishopric, to undertake to send to the Papal See. On 4th August, having received no assistance, the Bishop wrote to the religious houses again, reproaching them for not joining the other clergy of the diocese in helping him to meet the subsidy exacted from him (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 358).

On the 26th July Bishop Grandisson issued a mandate to Master Baldewinus de Bello Prato, not to proceed to sequestrate the goods of the Priory of Tywardreyth because they were owing a large sum to Sir Iohannes Carmynou, who had frequently helped them in their need *ibidem*, fo. 365).

On the 8th August the Prior and Convent, having complained about one of their Brixham parishoners, Willelmus de la Grenewey, Bishop Grandisson issues a mandate from his palace at Peyngtone to the Dean of Ippelepenne that the Prior alone is to receive the tithes from the parish of Brixham, and that if the said Willelmus ignores the admonitions of the Dean he is to be cited to appear before the Bishop wherever he then may happen to be on the eve of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin (16th August) next (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 370). It is not improbable that this mandate was the result of an excuse offered by the Prior for not having come to the Bishop's assistance in monetary matters.

On the 23rd August Ricardus de Chuseldene and Margeria his wife are licensed by Bishop Grandisson to hold divine service in their chapels and oratories in their dwellings within the parishes of Clystone and Hydone (Broadclyst and Clysthydon) (*ibidem*, fo. 379).

On the 7th September, at Chuddeleye, Iohannes Brae of Redruthe obtained a commission of enquiry into his life, manners, etc., addressed to Master Benedictus de Arundelle and Gilbertus de Cnovyle, Canons of the Collegiate Church of Glasney with a view to procuring him a benefice in the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreythe (*ibidem*, fo. 394).

On the 13th September two poor priests, Iohannes Batyn and Laurencius de Bokapit, obtained commissions from the Bishop, in the first case addressed to the Precentor (Adam de Murymouth) and to Magister Iohannes Bloyou and the Canons of Exeter, and in the second instance the name of Ricardus de Wydeslade, Archdeacon of Barnstaple, is included, recommending them to collation or presentation of any living

in the gift of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 396).

1328. On the 2nd October at Buffestre (Buckfastleigh) Bishop Grandisson, possibly having satisfied himself as to the condition of the bridge of Tottonia, if not being actually compelled to cross the river at Buckfast on his way from Crediton to Modbnry, issued a mandate to all the clergy of his diocese that when the messengers or collectors (*nuncii*) of the bridge of Tottonia reach them they are to be received in their churches and chapels and beg the gifts of the faithful, they are to explain their business on Sundays and festivals during the hours of Mass and the messengers are to receive the full donations without any deduction (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 406.)

11th November. There is no record that Bishop Grandisson made any comment on the condition of Tywardreath Priory, but on the 24th October he had found the state of Bodmin Priory such, that, evidently after a mature consideration on his arrival at Tywardreath, he commissioned Ralph de Lampil, Rector of Withiel, and William Bagge, one of the Canons, to assist the Prior of Bodmin in the management of the Priory. They were required to deal with all debts and credits, discharge all useless servants and officials, substituting competent and honest men in their place, and to do their best to recover the revenues which had been dispersed and squandered (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, preface, fo. xviii).

On the 13th October from his manor of Lawhittone, the Bishop addresses a letter to Master Baldewinus de Bello Prato, warden of the sequestered goods of the Priory of Tywardreath, that complaints had been made to him at Launcestone by the Prior and monks of the bad administration and care of their affairs. He, Master Baldewinus, was to take care that on the Bishop's visit to the Priory (which took place 11th November) sufficient food and drink and other necessaries were to be prepared for the Bishop and his servants (*ibidem*, fo. 411).

On the 7th November a mandate was issued to the Prior of Truwerdrayth to prepare for a visitation on the following Monday (*ibidem*, fo. 421).

1329. On the 13th January at Chuddeleghe Willelmus de Uppatone complained to the Bishop that a former Prior of Tottonia, Frater Iosselinus, owed him xxxii *solidi* rent in the Priory's manor of Ayspringtone. Bishop Grandisson issued a mandate to the Dean of Tottonia to compel the present Prior to pay the money, and in default he was to be cited to appear before the Bishop on the first judicial day after the festival of the Purification (2nd February) wherever the Bishop might happen to be (*ibidem*, fo. 443).

1329. On the 18th January the Prior of Tottonia, together with his brother Priors of the houses of the Order of St. Benedict, namely the Priors of Truwardraith, St. Nicholas Exeter, St. James Exeter, Carswelle, and Otritone (Otterton), were summoned with all the other Abbats and clerical dignitaries of the diocese to attend a convocation at St. Paul's on the 27th January. Generally, the religious houses were represented at these Councils by one or more procurators. The Bishop, on this occasion, appointed Magistri Iohannes de Nassyngtone (probably identical with the Iohannes de Sordich subsequently mentioned) Canon of Exeter, Stephanus de Ketelbury Professor of Civil Law, and Nicholaus de Bathonia Procurator of the Court of Canterbury, as his representatives.

The Council was summoned by Stephanus, Bishop of London, at the instigation of Simon, Archbishop of Canterbury (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 448).

The Prior of Trewardraithe had been deprived of the administration of the property of his house, and the common seal had been sequestered.

On account of his confidence in Frater Philippus Prior of the monastery, Bishop Grandisson, on the 22nd January, at Chuddeleghe restores control of the estate to the Prior on condition that he is to seek the advice and assistance of Sir Iohannes de Carminou and Walter de Ken, Rector of the church of Cardinan and of Frater Guillelmus of Minster. The monks are to receive 15 *denarii* each for the necessaries of life; all useless burdens, such as horses and dogs, are to be removed from the Priory. The monks, under threat of excommunication, are to obey the Prior's orders, and he is to inform the Bishop of the names of any recalcitrants (*ibidem*, fo. 455).

On the 31st March the Bishop issues a license from his manor of Clyst to the Archdeacon of Totnes to exercise his jurisdiction during the visit of the Bishop, arranged to take place the following Easter (23rd April) (*ibidem*, fo. 448).

On the 20th April, among the vacant benefices certified in a list sent to Master Icherius de Concoreto, occurs: "the church of Aspringtone vacant by death, etc., from 26th August valued at 14½ marcs" (*ibidem*, fo. 547).

1331. On 27th April Icherius de Concoreto, collector of the first fruits of vacant benefices, on behalf of the Pope, acknowledged receipt from the Bishop of Exeter of, among other sums, 14 marcs 6*s*. 8*d*. from the church of Aispringtone.

1333. On the 17th March Pope Iohannes acknowledged receipt of above tax; the church of Ayschpringtone being entered at 9*li*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

1329. 24th July. Magister Henricus Bloyhou is commissioned by Bishop Grandisson to take measures on his behalf against the Prior and Priory of Tottonia in matters referred to on his last visitation (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 517).

On the 27th August, at Peyngtone, Bishop Grandisson issued a mandate to the Prior of Tiwardray (Tywardreath) that he was not to allow the body of Sir Henricus de Campo-Arnulphi (Champernowne), interred in their Priory church, to be exhumed or removed, without a special licence from the Bishop (*ibidem*, fo. 524).

On the 8th September, in a letter addressed to Magister Adam Murymouthe, Precentor; Bishop Grandisson revokes the commission given to him and to Magister Iohannes Bloyou, Canon of Exeter, late deceased, for providing for the poor priest Laurencius de Bokepitte by collation or presentation to some living in the gift of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia (*ibidem*, fo. 528).

On the 29th November, from Chuddeleghe, the following letter is addressed by Bishop Grandisson:

John, etc., to the Dean and Vicar of Tottonia, greeting. With reference to the putting into effect of an execution against the Prior and Monastery of Tottonia, who hold the Church of Tottonia, as is claimed for their own use, in respect to the lack and insufficiency of Books of Mattins in the Church, so far as concerns their repair by authority of a mandate lately issued against you jointly and separately through Master Henry Bloyou, Commissary of our visitation in the Archdeaconry of Tottonia, we entirely desire and command you to refrain from further action until we have been informed more fully concerning the enquiry held in this part before the Commissary himself, and until you hear further from us in mandates on this matter.

1330. On the 3rd April a receipt for 20 marcs is given by Sir Iohannes de Carmynou to the Prior of Tywardraithe (*ibidem*, fo. 562). This was probably the first attempt of the Prior, since the 22nd January of the previous year, when he was entrusted by the Bishop with the administration of the Priory's estate, to reduce the debt owing to the knight.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxiv. 1330. Be it known, etc., that I Rosmunda daughter of Walterus att'Mouth widow of Iohannes Franck in my widowhood have given, etc., to Alicia my daughter half of a house at Waterschyppe placed between the King's way which leads near to Tretsond on the south side and the tenement of Iohannes Boys senior on the north side with two curtilages belonging to

the aforesaid half of the said house. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief. Whilst rendering annually to the lords of that fief customary rents and services. And I the aforesaid Rosamunda undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this present charter. Dated at Kynghyswere on Thursday next after the festival of Saint Mark the Evangelist in the fourth year of the reign of Edward the third (Thursday after 25th April, 1330).

Witnessed by:

1 Lord Henricus Lawe the chaplain; 2 Willelmus Suaghere senior; 3 Alexander Honte; 4 Nicholaus Foterel; 5 Rogerus the miller, and others.

Appended to parchment tag, the dexter half of round seal, three-quarters of an inch diameter; device and lettering, without clue, are
1330. difficult to define.

On the 1st July, at Cliste, the Bishop commissions Magister Henricus Bloyou to proceed against Willelmus, Vicar of the church of Totton, and, if in his judgment he deems it necessary, according to law, to deprive him of his Vicariate (*ibidem*, fo. 569).

The Vicariate of Totnes, vacant from 31st July by the cession of William le Coroner, Sir Walter de Essewater, priest, was installed at Plymouth on the 2nd September. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totnes (*ibidem*, fo. 1281).

28th September Elias de Churchehulle obtained licence for his oratory at Willeurd in the parish of Clistone (Broadclyst) (*ibidem*, fo. 584).

Pole says (fo. 173) "Wildyarde in the parish of Cliston was sometyme the land of Henry de Wildyarde which lived anno 1264 and after Elias de Churchill Bartholomew and John de Churchill and John Churchill which had issue Margaret wife of Andrew Hillersdon and Agnes wife of Stephan Giffard."

On the 25th October the Bishop entrusts Master Henricus Bloyou with enquiry into and correction of the conduct of some of the monks of the Monastery of Tywardreithe (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 588).

On the 25th October, at Penryn, commissions Magister Henricus Bloyou and Lord Richardus de Brayleghe, Canons of Exeter, to enquire into the credentials of a certain poor priest, Simon de Lifton, and to assign him a living according to his abilities in the collation or presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia (*ibidem*, fo. 588).

On the 3rd November a commission is issued to Master Thoma de Nassyngtone and to Henricus Bloyou, Canons of Exeter, to provide

Willelmus de Hendrewither, sub-deacon, after due enquiry into his birth, etc., with any benefice in the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardraith (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 589).

1330. On the 9th November Bishop Grandisson granted licence for an oratory to Matillida Chambernoun, to be constructed at Tywardreith (*ibidem*, fo. 591).

1331. On the 26th January, dated from Chuddeleghe, Bishop Grandisson directs a letter to the Prior of Tywardreyth, in which he states, that, on the occasion of his visitation in the Archdeaconry of Cornwall, the incumbent then occupying the Vicariate of Tywardraithe, a certain Iohannes Rogier, priest, was found to be unsuitable for the position; that, although the Bishop had appointed Sir Bernard de Sancta Cruce perpetual Vicar, he did not wish the said Iohannes to be reduced to poverty, and therefore, with the consent of the newly-appointed Vicar and the Community, the Bishop ordered that the said Iohannes as long as he lived was to receive 4 marcs annually from the Prior and Convent and the Vicar is to receive as long as Iohannes lives 37*s.* 4*d.*, but when he enters the way of all flesh the Vicar is to receive also the four marcs annually (*ibidem*, fo. 597).

Tot. Court Roll, M27. 1331. Tuesday after 24th February.

Single membrane, fourteen inches by six and five-eighths inches. Small Arabic 5 in left-hand corner.

Totton. Court of the Community of the Gild of Merchants held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. Mathias in the 5th year of King Edward III.

Willelmus Calwe is in mercy because he is accustomed to sell straw (*buss' stram'*) which is not according to Assize.

Ricardus Oldereve is in mercy because he assisted Walterus de Wyke under his liberty to sell and buy diverse merchandise against the form of the liberty. Mercy 12*d.*

Walterus de Stonhalle gives the Community 6*d.* for liberty to buy and sell hides and skins because he is of the freedom of Exeter and moreover does not pay tallage on the pound. Fine 6*d.*

Thomas da Wynburne is required to give satisfaction that he sells a pound of candles of Paris by weight less than the assize by 20*d.* and that the weight of a pound should weigh two marcs just as the pound of the goldsmith is adjusted. And because it is unknown to the Mayor whether they should weigh a pound or not. Therefore let it be ascertained how the citizen of Exeter sells and the said Thomas has until the next day (of the Court) when his case will be heard.

Iohannes Phelyp is in mercy for default and because he concealed Walterus de Stonhall' as above (the word is "*concellavit*"). Mercy 2*d*.

To distrain Iohannes Crocke that he brews and sells beer when he is not in the freedom.

To distrain just as many are distrained Ricardus de Bovy smith that to the loss of the Mayor and Community he has been detected with Henricus Baghel and Iohanna his wife in buying and selling to different inhabitants and with the assistance of others who are not in the liberty to the loss of the Lord and . . .

John Phelyp Ley is ordered to be summoned before the Mayor and Community because he has taken part with Willelmus son of Iohannes atte Wylwey who is not in the freedom namely for buying and selling.

Walterus le Spycer is ordered to be distrained for allowing his son to buy and sell merchandise under the protection of the Community of Totton when he is not of the freedom.

Total 23*d*.

1331. Court of the Community of the Gild of Merchants held on Friday in Easter week in the above year (1331).

Thomas de Wynburne is in mercy because he is accustomed to weigh pounds less than the Assize by 20 *denarii* for 4 years and more. He is convicted and if convicted again shall pay 40*d*. Fine 12*d*.

Iohannes Phelyp is in mercy because he assisted Willelmus son of Iohannes atte Wylweye to buy and sell and is convicted. Fine 6*d*.

Vyncencius Hag is in mercy on account of agreement made with Iohannes Ude in buying 3 ? (iii *mill' allec'*) and because he refused to fulfil his part of the contract according to the custom of the burghers. Fine 2*d*.

Willelmus atte Wylweye is in mercy for the same and makes amends to the said Iohannes. Fine 2*d*.

Willelmus Monner is in mercy because he does not come and fulfil the law. The seneschals report that he shares with Iohannes Colle in selling beer. Fine 2*d*.

Petrus Spycer is in mercy because he bought and sold sundry merchandise without licence of the seneschals of the Community when he was not in the liberty by pledge of W. Spycer. Fine 12*d*.

Iohannes is ordered to carry out distraints.

Total 3*s*.

Tot. Guild Roll, M24. Single membrane, nine inches by eight and a half inches. Small Arabic 5 in left-hand corner.

Totton.

1331 Tuesday after 11th June. Galfridus de Malleston entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the 5th year of King Edward III in succession to Michael de Malleston his father. Sureties Willelmus de Cobeton and Thomas de Cobeton together with his tenements. 40*d.* fourfold fordede.

Iohannes Benet de Asperton entered on the same day by ordinary purchase. Sureties Iohannes de Huddesdon and Iohannes Popam. 6*s.* 8*d.* first (*primum*) fordede.

Iohannes de Esse de Totton entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the 5th year of King Edward III by gift of the whole Community. Sureties Robertus Laveranz and Iohannes Mayon.

1332. 12th January. Hugo de Chysewyll entered on Monday the eve of St. Hillary in the 5th year of King Edward III and gives 8*s.* Sureties Robertus Laveranz and Iohannes de Esse. Fine 8*s.* fordede.

Iohannes Toker entered on the same day. Sureties Ricardus Toker and Galfridus Frye. Fine 2*s.* fordede.

Tuesday after 21st September. Florence daughter of Ricardus Tuk entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Matthew in the 5th year of King Edward III by gift of the Community of Totton'. Sureties Vincencius Hag and Galfrydus Frye.

Friday after 13th December. Henricus Wace entered on Friday after the festival of St. Lucia the Virgin in the 5th year of King Edward III and gives 5*s.* Sureties Galfridus Scoteveale and Ricardus de Falewylle.

1331. On the 9th August Bishop Grandisson issues a mandate addressed to the Prior of Minster (de la Ministre) and Lord Thomas (de Sweyneseye), Rector of the church of Lanteglos in Cornwall to prevent Sir Willelmus de Botriaux, Seneschal of Cornwall, from levying distraint on the income of the church of Michelstouwe (Michaelstow) (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 625)

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 924. 1331. Thursday after 28th August. I Willelmus Colyn son of Petrus have granted to Willelmus Wayte de Englebornne and to Henricus de Wymuslonde all my mesuages, lands and tenements with orchards gardens and rents belonging to them which I have received from Matheus Boclonde, Willelmus son of the said Matheus, Iohannes Scote and Henricus Boltoscre (Woltostre ?) in Greater Tottonia, Little Tottonia and Tybecombe as in the present charter indicated. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering the customary service due. For this grant, etc., the said Willelmus and Henricus have satisfied me whilst I the aforesaid Willelmus Colyn hold to warranty, etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne de Esse; 2 Willelmo Cobetonne; 3 Galfrido Malsetonne; 4 Iohanne Data; 5 Willelmo Hyvepere; 6 Stephano Strete then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and many others. Dated at Tottonia on Thursday after the festival of St. Augustine Bishop of the English in the 5th year of the reign of King Edward III.

There is no trace of seal on the tag.

Tybecombe is doubtless identical with Thebecumbe (see pp. 31 and 37).

1331. On 13th September the Bishop grants a letter dimissory in the case of Simon de Lifton, sub-deacon, to the Prior and Convent of Tottonia, to whose care he had been committed (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 628).

On the 17th September Bishop Grandisson appoints Master Henricus Bloyou, Canon of Exeter, and Sir Ricardus de Gomersale, Rector of Dydesham (Dittisham) and David Anselinus, Rector of Tettebourne, as a commission, two, if not all three, to enquire and audit the accounts of Frater Willelmus Beauges, Prior of la Ministre, coadjutor of Frater Philippus, Prior of Tywardraithe Priory (*ibidem*, fo. 631).

Frater William Beauges, Prior of la Ministre, is granted non-residence till Christmas from the 18th September (*ibidem*, fo. 633).

1332. A mandate is issued by the Bishop from London, under date 9th March, to the Archdeacon of Totnes to conduct a visitation of the Archdeaconry (*ibidem*, fo. 640).

On the 31st May Magister Robertus Bonde, Rector of the church of Brodwodekelly, is commissioned to visit the Archdeaconry of Totton.

On the 14th June a further commission is issued to continue the visitation, including with the Rector of Brodwodekelly, the name of Ricardus Giffard, clerk (*ibidem*, fo. 654).

On the 7th December Petrus de Grymestone, Vicar of the church of Clistone (Broadclyst) is summoned to answer for his debt of 60*s*. to Thomas de Whittesleghe (*ibidem*, fo. 47).

1333. On the 4th June, at Cliste, Bishop Grandisson appointed Sir Ricardus Gomersale, Rector of Dydesham (Dittisham), and David Anselinus, Rector of Brattone (Clovelly), as a commission to take charge of and rule the Priory of Tywardraithe, owing to the post of Prior being vacant (*ibidem*, fo. 693).

On the 12th June Bishop Grandisson addressed a letter to Lord Eli, Abbat of the Monastery of St. Sergius, Angers, or his representative, on account of the death of Frater Philippus, Prior of Tywardreithe (according to Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 34, he died on 26th May).

The Bishop deplores the condition of the Priory, and informs the Abbat that he is sending back two monks, distinguished by their many faults, recently sent by him to those parts, as well as Frater Iohannes Miral.

On the same day the Bishop addresses a commission to the Prior of Minster (Willelmus Bouges) and the two Rectors of Dittisham and Brattone (Clovelly), appointed guardians, instructing them to allow every monk of the Priory of Tywardreithe 18*d.* daily whilst they live in one house and sleep under one roof, and they are to send back the two monks recently sent from the Monastery of Angers as well as Frater Iohannes Meral, monk of the same Monastery, allowing to each of them for their passage by ship and expenses, 5 *solidi.*

A third letter is addressed to the monks in question, Fratri Arnaldus, Petrus and Iohannes Meral, all of the Monastery of Saint Sergius at Angers in the Priory of Tywardreithe "not without grief of heart," etc., and on account of the condition of the property under an unhappy rule, the Bishop orders them to relieve the Priory of their presence, returning by ship whence they came, for which purpose he allows them each 5 *solidi.* Dated 12th June, 1333.

A fourth letter is addressed on the same day, to the Prior of Minster, the Rectors of Dittisham and Brattone (Clovelly), Wardens of the Priory of Tywardreithe, as well as to Master Iohannes de Nortone, Rector of the church of Bokelond Filleghe "our Sequestrator General" ordering them to relax the sequestration of income in the case of the church of Lanlyvery and the chapel of Luxulien.

Abbat Gasquet refers to this exercise of authority by Bishop Grandisson but wrongly locates the mother house of Tywardreath Priory as being the Abbey of St. Sergius *near Ghent.* From the three letters recorded in Bishop Grandisson's Register, it is evident that the Bishop justifies his expulsion of the three monks, not only on account of the poverty of the house, which, unless due care is exercised and provision made, will lead to irreparable dissolution of the Priory, but also on account of their many faults (Gasquet, *English Monastic Life*, fo. 186).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxv. 1333.

Be it known, etc., that I Thomas de La Fenne chaplain have given, etc., to Willelmus Layburcie all that my tenement without the north gate of the burg of Tottonia in Northestrete which I have by gift from Medewyve daughter of Willelmus the miller which (tenement) lies between the tenement of Walterus Kvych on the one side and the King's way which

leads on each side to the mill (*molendinum Bras*—possibly a windmill or mill with "arms" from the French "bras." *Malt mill bridge* is marked on maps as being N. by W. of the north gate. If this is an old name place, the signification of "bras" may mean Brewery) of the lord of Tottonia and a place of land which belongs to the said tenement with one piece of land which lies between the land of Henricus de la Wyke and Walterus Russel on the one side and the land of Adam Figaret on the other. And the whole of that tenement which I had by the gift of Walterus le Knyt outside the north gate of the said burg which lies between the tenement of Martinus de Colaton' on the one side and the tenement of the said Thomas on the other. To hold and to have, etc., whilst rendering annually to the sacristan of the church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia at the festival of the Assumption one pound of wax for all service, etc. For this gift the aforesaid Willelmus has given me twenty *solidi* sterling hand money whilst I the said Thomas undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus Laveranz; 2 Thomas Cobeton'; 3 Willelmus Colyn; 4 Iohannes Bastard; 5 Willelmus Tylia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next before the festival of the Blessed Mary Magdalene in the seventh year of the reign of King Edward the third (Saturday before 22nd July, 1333).

On reverse: "The wardens of the Holy Trinity of Tottonia anno domini 1528 account for 1 pound of wax to the sacristy on the festival of the Assumption."

Appended to parchment tag part of seal, in black wax, three-quarters of an inch in diameter; central device, cross of four leaves; the few letters, on sinister side, are undecipherable.

1333. The Chapel of the Blessed King Edmund on the bridge of Tottonia. On the death of Sir William Sparke which occurred 20th August, Sir Robert Scote, chaplain, was installed (at Yealmpton), 7th October. Patron, William la Zouche de Hameworthi (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1296).

Tot. Court Roll M28. Tuesday after 18th October. 1333.

Two membranes stitched together, twenty inches by six and three-quarter inches, and twenty-two and a half inches by five inches.

Small Arabic 3 in left hand corner.

Court of the Community held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 7th year of King Edward III. In the time when

Galfridus Scoteveala and Iohannes Gilbert were wardens of the Gild of Merchants.

Benedictus Amyet and Lucia his wife are in mercy because they bake and sell bread contrary to the liberty: by the warrant of Robertus Laveranz. 6*d.*

Michael Soz because he buys the skins of young lambs against the liberty. Surety Thomas de Cobeton. 3*d.*

Katerina Parson for brewing and selling beer against the liberty. Surety G. de Cobeton. 3*d.*

Willelmus Rike entered the liberty of the Community of Totton and gives 6*s.* 8*d.* and finds sureties. 6*s.* 8*d.*

Thomas Brite entered in succession to Galfridus Brite his father, etc. 2*s.*

Hamundus de Eyston entered, etc. Sureties Iohannes Mahonn and Galfridus Scotefeala. 8*s.*

Ioel Howval entered, etc. Sureties Walterus Kyng potter and Nicholaus potter. 10*s.*

Iohannes Cotte entered, etc. Sureties Galfridus Scotefeala and I. Gilberd. 8*s.*

Mabill' daughter of Michael de Malleston entered, etc., at the request of Willelmus de Wollecombe. Surety a tenement. 2*s.*

1334. Tuesday before 11th November. Court of the Community held on Tuesday before the festival of St. Martin in the 8th year of King Edward III. In the time when Galfridus Scotefeala and Iohannes Gilbert were wardens of the Gild of Merchants.

Willelmus Prage because he sells a cask of beer without licence and contrary to the liberty and finds sureties Stephanus Frie and Thomas Boronn. 6*d.*

Robertus Cherde because he brews and sells beer contrary to the liberty. 12*d.*

Iohannes Paris because he sold a cask of beer contrary to the statute of liberty and finds a surety Adam Langtru. 3*d.*

Iohannes Mathu entered, etc. Sureties Iohannes de Hoddesdon and Iohannes Gilbert. 10*s.*

Michael Parker (?) entered, etc. Sureties Galfridus Froc and Iohannes Gilbert. 5*s.*

Iohannes Dolyn entered in succession to his father. Surety a tenement. 2*s.*

Adam Houwal entered, etc. Sureties Robertus Laveranz and Walterus Kyng. 8*s.*

Robertus Cherde entered, etc. Sureties Galfridus Scotavaela and Galfridus Frie. 6*s.* 8*d.*

Serlo Somer entered, etc. Surety Thomas de Cobeton. 6*s.* 8*d.*

Iohannes Glas, entered, etc. Sureties Galfridus Scotefeale and Iohannes Gilberd. 5*s.*

Iohannes Freme son of Iohannes Freme, entered, etc. Sureties Galfridus Scotefeala and Iohannes Gilberd. 15*d.*

Adam Baylleforde entered in succession to Ricardus Bailleforde.

Thomas Hilliay entered, etc. Sureties Iohannes Popall and Ricardus Yoldereva. 6*s.* 8*d.*

Ricardus Bastard entered in succession to Iohannes Bastard his father. Surety a tenement. 2*s.*

Iohannes Paris entered in succession to Willelmus his father. Sureties Iohannes Paris and ? de Bovetone. 2*s.*

Willelmus Voyl entered in succession to Walterus Voyl his father. Sureties (illegible). 2*s.*

Commencement of second membrane.

Thomas Brillyng entered and gave 5*s.* Sureties Walterus Robyn and Walterus Crocker.

Nicholaus de Luvedeston entered and gave 4*s.* Sureties Galfridus Bryta and Stephanus Bryta.

Willelmus Prag junior entered and gave 5*s.* Sureties Michael Brodeg' and Iohannes Paris junior.

Benedictus Bakere entered in succession to Willelmus bakerer his father and gave 2*s.* Sureties Nicholaus Kyng and Galfridus Scoteveale.

Iohannes Eustasch entered and gives 2*s.* 6*d.* Sureties Galfridus Scoteveale and Iohannes Popa.

Michael Soz entered and gives 5*s.* Secureties Willelmus Attewod and Thomas de Cobeton.

Ricardus Martyn entered and gives 5*s.* Securities Thomas de Cobeton and Ricardus de Falewille.

Walterus de Wercumbe entered and gives 3*s.* 4*d.* Sureties Iohannes Soper and Galfridus Frya.

Iohannes Baker entered and gives 3*s.* 4*d.* Sureties Iohannes Mayun and Adam de Langhetre.

Iohannes Attewilleweye junior entered and gives 5*s.* Sureties Robertus Lauranz and Iohannes Attewilleweye.

Iohannes Tounman entered and gives 4*s.* Sureties Nicholaus Tounman and Iohannes Attelak.

Iohannes Taverner entered and gives 4*s.* Sureties Galfridus Scoteveal and Galfridus Frya.

Iohannes Modi entered and gives 4*s*. Sureties Galfridus Frya and Willelmus Colyn.

Thomas de Nitherton entered and gives 5*s*. Sureties Iohannes de Westlegh and Galfridus Frya.

Ricardus Rugg' entered and gives 5*s*. Sureties Iohannes Pers and Iohannes Ion.

Iohannes Galewey entered and gives 12*d*. in succession to his father Ricardus Galewey. Sureties Iohannes de Esse and Ricardus Rugg.

Thomas Propheta entered and gives 4*s*. Sureties Michael Brodeg' and Walterus Kyng. Total 66*s*. 6*d*.

Iohannes Fichet entered and gives 6*s*. Sureties Henricus Horer and Michaelus Soz.

Willelmus Ion entered and gives 6*s*. Sureties Vincencius Date and Iohannes Ion.

Iohannes Beagher entered and gives 6*s*. Sureties Benedictus Beria and Ricardus Falewill.

Iohannes Brounigger entered and gives 4*s*. Sureties Galfridus Frya and Iohannes Wymund.

Iohannes Rom entered by gift of the seneschals of the burg. Sureties Vincencius Ragger and Martinus Godman.

Michaelus Parsun entered and gives 12*d*. Sureties Stephanus Moryng and Iohannes Pers.

Reverse of first membrane.

Willelmus Faber entered in succession to Iohannes Faber his father and gives 2*s*. Sureties Willelmus Hinpere and Iohannes Attarlake. 2*s*.

Gilbertus Crispin entered by ordinary purchase and gives 5*s*. Sureties Iohannes Gilbert and Iohannes Pers. 5*s*.

Willelmus Hore entered in succession to Iohannes Hore his father according to the custom of the ville. Surety Martinus Pokoc.

1336, 1337. In the X and XI year.

Iohannes Symon entered by ordinary purchase and gives 5*s*. Sureties, Willelmus Symon and Robertus Laveranz. 5*s*.

Henricus Crouda entered in succession to Nicholaus Croude his father and gives according to custom for wine 2*s*. Surety a tenement.

Iohannes son of Stephanus de Colsteton entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. 8*d*. Sureties Ivon Pyria and Adam Fygaret. 6*s*. 8*d*.

1333 On the 17th November, in the church of Winkleigh, Frater William Bouge, Prior of Minster, was collated, by lapse, to the Priory of Tywar-

draith, on condition that if he is not allowed to enjoy the said Priorate, but is removed by Apostolic authority, he is free to return to the said church, and the Bishop commits to his care the rule of the said Priory, and undertakes that never in his time shall the house be deprived of any of its property nor any tax be levied on them without the licence of the Bishop. This deed was witnessed by David Aliam, Marcus Bagge and other friends of the Bishop (*Patris*) and written by H. Bysshopestone (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1296).

1334. On the 21st June, at Clyst, Bishop Grandisson wrote to the Abbat of St. Sergius and St. Bachus at Angers (the name is not mentioned) informing him that Frater Iohannes, called Miral, a monk of his Monastery, was like a pestilential sheep, infecting the healthy flock of the Priory of Tywardraithe. On the same day a letter is addressed to Lord Rogerus, priest of the chapel of Luxulian, dependent upon the parochial church of Lanlyvery, referring to the dilapidated condition of the chancel and books on the occasion of the Bishop's last visitation (*ibidem*, fo. 750).

On the 30th June, from his Palace at Exeter, Bishop Grandisson addresses a letter to the Dean of Tottonia. A certain Willelmus at Saint Davyd in la Hamme in the parish of Aspringtone apparently insane calls himself a hermit, refuses obedience to anyone, etc. He is to be brought before the Bishop on the third judicial day after the 7th July, wherever the Bishop might happen to be at the time (*ibidem*, fo. 751).

On the 12th September Bishop Grandisson, in his report on the benefices held by aliens in his district, mentions that Minster Priory, formerly occupied by aliens, is empty. On the 17th November, 1333, Prior William Bouges had been translated to Tywardreath (*ibidem*, fo. 764).

On the 12th September, in the return rendered by Bishop Grandisson of benefices held by aliens in his diocese, the name of Frater Willelmus Bouges is given as Prior of Tywardraithe. The Prior and Convent hold for their use the parish churches of Tywardraithe, Fawe (Fowey), Lanlyvery, with its annexed chapels, Sancti Austoli (St. Austell), Sancti Antonii (St. Anthony in Meneage), and Treneglos, with its annexed chapels, valued altogether at 41*li.* 5*s.*

And they receive from the church of Lysnewiz (Lesnewth) 5*s.*, and from the church of Hanok (Hennock) 2*s.* as annual pensions (*ibidem*, fo. 764).

Frater Robertus (de Conka), Prior of Totton, and Convent hold for

their own use the parish churches of Totton, Brixham and Clistone, which are valued in all at 36*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* (The Prior of Ottertone receives an annual pension of 5*s.* from the church of Broadclyst). And the same receive under the title of annual pension from the churches of Alwyngtone II marcs, Stokinhamme XX*s.*, la Pole (South Pool) XV*s.*, Pyworthi X*s*, Corneworthy I marc, Asspringtone ½ marc, Lodeswelle ½ marc, Hurbertone VI*s.* (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 764).

1334. On the 10th December Frater Gehellus le Fertrer, monk of the monastery of St. Andrew of Tywardreith, is commended to the church of la Ministre (*ibidem*, fo. 1304).

1335. On the 7th October, at Chudleigh, Frater Gehellus le Fertrer, priest monk of the order of St. Benedict, was collated to the church of la Ministre (*ibidem*, fo. 1310).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxvi. 1335. This deed was found tied to two others, Totnes Priory Deeds xxxiv and xxxix.

Be it known, etc., that I Willelmus de Cobeton' son of Willelmus de Cobeton of Tottonia have given, etc., to Walterus Kyng all my share of that tenement with its appurtenances in the burg of Tottonia which Walterus Scote formerly held and which lies between the tenement which Vincencius Tuc formerly held on the west side and the tenement which Stephanus Hag formerly held on the east side excepting two stalls adjoining the said tenement which will remain to me and my heirs in perpetuity. To have and to hold, etc., of the lord of Tottonia for service due, etc. Whilst rendering annually to me, etc., four *solidi* sterling at the four principal terms of the year. On condition that if the said rent, etc., be in arrear I am licensed to levy distraint, etc. And I the aforesaid Willelmus undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing I the aforesaid Willelmus as well as the aforesaid Walterus have alternately appended our seals to these written indentures.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Hudesdon'; 2 Ricardus de Falewelle; 3 Thoma de Cobeton'; 4 Robertus Laveranz; 5 Ricardus Holdertun (last three letters indefinite—may be intended for "cum") then provost of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Sunday the eve of St. Martin the Bishop (11th November) in the ninth year of the reign of King Edward the third (Sunday, 10th November, 1335).

Appended to parchment tag a white wax seal; impression quite undeterminable.

1336. On the 17th April, at Chuddeleghe, Bishop Grandisson licensed Master Petrus de Grymestone, perpetual Vicar of the church of Clistone (Broadclyst) to marry Elyas de Churchulle and Emma atte Willehurde in the oratory of the mansion of the said Elias de la Willehurde (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 811).

1337. 21 May, Sir John de Hemestone, priest, was installed Vicar of Tottonia, at Chudlegh. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totnes (*ibidem*, fo. 1317).

The extent of the Priory of Tottoneys.

(From the report on alien priories in the eleventh year of King Edward III).

Mon. Dioc. Exon., fo. 242.

A transcript of an indenture made between Iohannes de Langeton clerk senior commissioner of the lord King for taking and seizing into the King's hands all lands tenements goods and chattels of all inhabitants of Gaul secular or religious and of all others from the dominion of the King of France and Petrus de Veel Sheriff of Devon concerning all goods, chattels, jewels and cultivated lands as well as everything found in the priories of Tottoneys and of Saint Jacobus near Exonia and of all places adjoining the said priories, namely on the 23rd July in the eleventh year of King Edward III the following were seized for the King by the aforesaid Iohannes and delivered to the aforesaid Sheriff.

Ornaments of the Church:—11 chalices valued at 13*s.* 4*d.*; 3 pairs of poor vestments valued at 6*s.* 8*d.*; 3 poor choir surplices (*cape chori*) valued at 4*s.* (the cope is a cloak, used chiefly in processions, the most sumptuous of ecclesiastical vestments); dalmatic tunic valued at 10*s.*; 2 missals valued at 6*s.* 8*d.*; 2 chant-books (*antiphonaria*) valued at 5*s.*; 1 breviary (*portiforium*) valued at 6*s.*; 2 service-books (*gradalia*) valued at 2*s.* (containing portions sung on the steps of choir or pulpit).

Hall, room:—2 washing basins (*pelves*) with one place for washing in the hall valued at 3*s.*; 1 washing arrangement hanging on a chain valued at 6*d.*; 1 bench (*banker*) valued at 6*d.*; 2 meal tables with trestles (*trescellis*) and 2 forms valued at 18*d.*; 2 couches for lying on (*lecti*) in the room valued at 5*s.*; 1 bench (*banker*) valued at 6*d.*; 2 old silk girdles with silver work value——; 4 empty boxes value 6*d.*; 1——(*wytewel*) value 12*d.* Total 19*s.* (If the total is correct, the value of the girdles was placed at 6*s.* 6*d.*).

Pantry (*panetria*):—3 table napkins (*mappe*) with 2 malls (*mallis*) value 1*s.* 6*d.* (probably these were flat wooden beaters for mangling clothes);

12 silver spoons value 12*d.*; 1 silver ? (*ciphus*) value 6*s.* 8*d.*; —empty barrels (*dolia*) value 2*s.*

Kitchen :—18 pewter dishes in the kitchen with 18 salt cellars value 3*s.*; 4 pots brass (*enee*) value 6*s.* 8*d.*; 1 small pot brass (*enea*) value 2*s.*; 1 tripod value 2*s.*; 2 dishes (*patelle*) brass (*enee*) value 12*d.*; 1 gridiron with 1—— (*aundir'*) value 12*d.*

Bakehouse :—1 leaden cauldron for brewing (?) (*ad braciandum*) value——; 10 cradles (?) (*cune*) with 2 bowls (*tinis*) value 2*s.* 6*d.* Total 65*s.* 8*d.*

Stable :—1 palfrey with saddle in the stable value 40*s.*; 1 other horse value 6*s.* 8*d.* Total 46*s.* 8*d.*

Tithe of the Church :—(The Priory) has the church Tottoneys for its own use whilst the tithes of sheaves (*garbarum*) are sold this year to Edmund Pyrye for one hundred *solidi* payable at the festival of St. Michael next.

Ayshpryngton a place attached to the Priory Tottoneys.

Hall :—1 washing basin with 1 place for washing value 18*d.*

Stall for oxen :—3 Heifers value 4*s.*; 16 oxen value 8*s.* each ; 1 sterile cow value 5*s.*; 57 swine (*hogastri*) value 10*d.* each.

Crops growing (*Bladum in terra crescens*) :—5 acres of growing wheat value of the acre 3*s.* 4*d.*; 14 acres of——(*siliginis*) (a kind of corn with an upright stalk and the grain very white, but lighter and of less nourishment than wheat: possibly millet) value of the acre 3*s.*; 6 acres of barley (*ordei*) value of the acre 2*s.*; 3½ acres of peas value of the acre 2*s.*; 5 acres of coarse oats value of the acre 2*s.*; 47 acres of fine oats value of the acre 2*s.*; hay to the value of 20*s.* Total 13*li.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

Grafton (Garston) a place attached to the same Priory.

Ox-stall :—3 heifers value 4*s.*; 15 oxen value 8*s.*; 9 cows value 6*s.* 8*d.*; 3 Oxgangs or a team of (*bovata*) value 4*s.*; 5 small oxen 2*s.*; 4 calves value 8*d.*; 100 sheep of both sexes value 9*d.* per head; 30 lambs value 5*d.* per head; 16 hawks value 2*d.*

Crops :—1½ acres of wheat value 4*s.* per acre; 20 acres of—— (*siliginis*) (see above) value 3*s.* 4*d.* per acre; — acres of barley value 3*s.* per acre; 3 acres of peas value 20*d.* per acre; 100 acres of oats value 20*d.* per acre; 3 pieces of cheese value 6*d.* Total 33*li.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

Uppeton in the parish of Brixham a place attached to the same Priory.

Ox-stall :—4 poor heifers value 5*s.*; 2 pigs value 18*d.*; 34 sheep of both sexes value 8*d.*; — lambs value 5*d.*; 8 hawks value 2*d.*; 40 pullets (*pult*) value ½*d.*

Crops growing :—16 acres of wheat growing value 4*s.* per acre; 16 acres

of barley value 3*s.* per acre; ½ acre of beans value 2*s.*; 16 acres of oats value 2*s.*; 3 acres of peas value 18*d.*; hay to the value of 5*s.*

Tithe of Sheaves:—(The Priory) has the tithes of sheaves of the church of Brixham which are estimated this year with the chapel of Churchton at 40 marcs. Total 36*li.* 16*s.* 3*d.*

Cliston a place attached to the same Priory.

There are 3 meal tables with 6 trestles value 12*d.*

In the kitchen:—3 pots brass (*enee*) value 12*s.*; 1 dish; 1 "buket" [*sic*] bound with iron value 6*d.*

In the bakehouse:—6 empty barrels value 6*d.*; 2——(*cime*) value 4*d.*;

There are 1 heifer value 5*s.*; 6 oxen value 6*s.* 8*d.*; 1 cow value 5*s.*; 2 steers value 3*s.*; 6 small oxen value 3*s.*; ——value 8*d.*; 6 young pigs value 3*d.*; 30 sheep of both sexes value 9*d.* per head; 37 lambs value 4*d.* per head; 12 hawks value 2*d.*

There are 8 acres of growing—(*siliginis*) value 4*s.* per acre; 8 acres of oats value 20*d.* per acre; hay to the value of 12*s.*

(The Priory) has the tithes of sheaves of the church of Cliston which are estimated this year at 20 marcs. Total 22*li.* 11*s.* 1*d.* Total of all values 117*li.* 19*s.* 10*d.*

1338. On the 18th April, at Cliste, Bishop Grandisson grants a licence to the Prior and Convent of Tywardreith, owing to their proximity to the sea and danger from hostile incursions of pirates, to withdraw to the seclusion of one of their churches or chapels, provided that they there conduct themselves properly, and hold divine services night and day (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 870).

On the 24th April, at Clyste, the Bishop issued a commission to three prelates, Lord Willelmus de Vise, Rector of the church of St. Mary the Greater Exeter, Magister Iohannes de Piltone, Rector of the church of Warkeleghe, and to Peter Tryvet, to assist the Archdeacon of Tottonia, Magister Rogerus de Churletone, owing to his great age and infirmity (*ibidem*, fo. 871).

A letter from Cliste, dated 14th June, threatens with excommunication those who oppose the appointment of Magister Iohannes de Northwode to the Archdeaconry of Tottonia (*ibidem*, fo. 879).

A Parliamentary charter was granted in favour of the Black Prince, by which the waters of Dartmouth became his property, and he was given the right to levy dues within the Port. This right was afterwards vested in the Duchy of Cornwall, who leased it to Dartmouth in 1659 for the period of two hundred years. In 1347 the collectors of the subsidy of

sixpence on every pound worth of tin taken out of the ports of "Dertmouth, Brikesham, Peynton, Kingswere and Toteneys," were ordered "to refund the same to Edward Prince of Wales." This was shortly after the battle of Crecy.

1338. On the 12th July, at his manor of Cliste, Bishop Grandisson issued a commission to Willelmus de Crouthorne, official at Exeter and Canon of Salisbury, Willelmus de Nassingtone of Exeter Cathedral and Benedictus de Pastone of the church of St. Probus, Cornwall, to visit the Archdeaconry of Totton (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 882).

On the 1st September the Bishop, at Cliste, commissioned Magister J. de Piltone, Rector of the church of Warkleghe, to collect in the Archdeaconry of Totnes the Synod and Cathedral tax (*Sinodaticum et Cathedraticum*) in succession to Magister Rogerus de Choerletone, deceased (*ibidem*, fo. 888).

1339. On the 14th January, at Chuddeleghe, Bishop Grandisson entrusts the Prior of Tywardraithe to make enquiries concerning a certain poor priest, Iohannes de Brancoys, with a view to obtaining a living for him in the gift of the Abbat of Teukesbury (*ibidem*, fo. 896).

On the 18th February Lord Iohannes de Astone, Rector of the church of Aspringtone, is commissioned by Bishop Grandisson to assist the Bishop of Waterford, acting as Suffragan Bishop in the diocese (*ibidem*, fo. 898).

On the 23rd March Bishop Grandisson, in reply to the petition of the Prior of Tywardreith Frater William Bouges, grants licence to the monks and their guests to eat meat, except on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sabbath days. Provided that the lesson be read during the meal, and that afterwards, on going to church, they shall render thanks therefor (*ibidem*, fo. 899).

The Prior of St. Nicholas' Priory Exeter is appointed by the Bishop to collect the procurations for Cardinals Peter and Bertrand, then visiting the country. Bishop Grandisson, on the 31st May, drew up a list of those who had not paid, which he sent from Cliste with the moneys received to the Nuncios by the hands of two messengers, Willelmus Braibroke and Willelmus de Clyve.

The Prior and Convent of Tottonia, although they eventually paid, are on the list, and the record reads: The Prior and Convent of Tottonia for their spiritualities and temporalities are valued at 47*li.* and 12*d.* But these and other aliens excusing themselves, explain that the King has confiscated all their goods and others by various tithes, legacies and

burdens are so reduced in circumstances that they scarcely have sufficient to support life (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 906).

1339. The Prior of Minster is included in the list of those who had not paid "for the temporality at Polyphant valued at 20*s.*, procuration 6*d.*" The Priors were Rectors of the church, and the Rector of Minster is still Lord of the Manor of Polyphant in Lewannick (*ibidem*, fo. 907).

Tot. Mun. Deed. Tuesday before 20th July, 1339.

To all the faithful, etc., Iohannes de Esse and Iohannes de Huddesdon wardens of the Gild of merchants of Totton' and all committees of the same town greeting. Be it known that we have given to Iohannes Mayhonn of Totton' and Margareta his wife one mesuage, etc., in Great Totton'. Which same tenement is between the tenement of Iohannes Mayhonn and Margareta his wife which they have by gift and feofment of Robertus Scota perpetual parson of the chapel of St. Edmund the King on the bridge of Totton on the north side and the tenement of Iohannes Bastard on the south side. To have and to hold, etc., paying 2*s.* 4*d.* annual rent to the wardens of the bridge of Totton' at the four terms for all services. And if the said Iohannes and Margareta die without heirs the mesuage shall remain to Petrus son of Henricus atte Wik. And if the said Petrus dies without heir the mesuage shall remain to Willelmus son of Henricus atte Wik. And if the said Willelmus dies without heirs the mesuage shall remain to Agatha daughter of Iohannes Mayhonn sister of the aforesaid Iohannes Mayhonn. And if the aforesaid Agatha dies without heir the mesuage shall revert to us and our successors provided that the aforesaid 2*s.* 4*d.* be paid to the wardens for the maintenance of the said bridge. Clause of warranty. We have appended our seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Gilberd; 2 Galfredus Scoteneale; 3 Iohannes Glas; 4 Iohannes Bastard; 5 Walterus de Wercombe then provost of the burg of Totton and all the Commonalty of the said town. Dated at Totton on Tuesday before the festival of St. Margareta the Virgin in the 13th year of the reign of King Edward III.

Appended seal with impression five-eighths of an inch in diameter, showing a peacock of crude design, surrounded by signs in border, undecipherable.

On reverse: "A grannt made to John Mayhon and Margery his wife and their heires of a tenement nowe the inheritance of Richard Blackall Esquyer now in the tenure of Thomas Wheler. Rent per annum 2*s.* 4*d.* to the wardens of the bridge 1610."

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxvii.
1339. Be it known that I Iohannes Alewyn of Tottonia have given, etc., to Willelmus de Syggedonn a mesuage with adjoining curtilage in Great Tottonia which is between the tenement of Willelmus Iohannes on the east side and the tenement of Martinus de Foleton on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief, etc., for rent and service due, etc. And I the aforesaid Iohannes undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de Esshe; 2 Iohannes Gilberd; 3 Galfridus Scoteneale; 4 Iohannes de Huddesdon; 5 Walterus Averay de Wertcombe then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next after the festival of Saint Faith the Virgin in the thirteenth year of the reign of King Edward the third (Saturday after 6th October, 1339).

Appended to parchment tag a well preserved oval seal, one inch by five-eighths of an inch. The central figure, though blurred, has on dexter two plant-like cones, on the sinister side two sword-like instruments with serrated edges. The figure is possibly attired in an apron, and is possibly that of a wool-comber, the device in dexter representing teazles, in sinister combs. The inscription around, in badly-formed letters, may read, S. ALEWYNI DE TOTTONIA.

1340. On the 3rd January, in reply to a mandate from King Edward III, dated at Westminster 28th October, 1339, Bishop Grandisson sends, from Chuddeleghe, a return of possessions owned by the alien houses in his diocese, amongst which he reports that "Frater Robertus Prior and the Convent of the Priory of Tottonia hold the church of Tottonia valued at X*li.*; the church of Brixham valued at XIII*li.* VI*s.* VIII*d.*; the church of Clystone valued at XIII*li.* VI*s.* VIII*d.* although in latter years they hardly yield XX*li.*

The Prior is non-resident nor can he maintain hospitality because they are so burdened by foreign and royal exaction that they are scarcely able to maintain a wretched existence" (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 58).

It is interesting to compare this report with what the Bishop has to say about the sister Cornish priories, Tywardreath and Minster.

Frater Willelmus Prior and the Convent of the Monastery of Tywardraithe continually reside there and hold the churches of Fawe (Fowey) valued at 4*li.*; Tywardraithe valued at 106*s.* 4*d.*; Lanlivery valued at 9*li.* 13*s.* 8*d.*; Sancto Austolo (St. Austell) valued at 10*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; Treneglos

valued at 7*li.*; Sancto Antonio in Kerier valued at 4*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the Chapel of Talle valued at 10*s.*, and are valued otherwise 20*li.*

They pay to the King, as they inform the Bishop, 40*li.*, supporting themselves with difficulty by necessary labour.

Frater Ioel, Prior or Rector of "la Minstre," is valued at 100*s.*, personally resides there, and is scarcely worth otherwise 40*s.* (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 59).

1340. On the 31st January, at London, the arrears of the procurations of the Cardinals are received by Bernardus Sistre, Archdeacon of Canterbury, among which is paid by Frater Robertus, Prior, and the Convent of Tottonia 23*s.* 6¼*d.*; Gehellus, Prior of Minster, 6*d.* (*ibidem*, fo. 924).

On 11th June died Agnes, wife of Hugh Lord Courtenay, created Earl of Devon in 1335. On the 27th June, on the occasion of her interment, the Earl gave to every abbey in the county and to Plymouth Priory, 20 marcs, to each of the other priories, and among them, no doubt, Tottonia, 10 marcs, and to the convents of friars 5 marcs each.

1341. 5th February took place the funeral of the Earl of Devon, Hugh de Courtenay. His munificent gifts on the occasion of his wife's death, only eight months previously, and his important position in the county brought the heads of all the religious houses, who were able, to the largely attended funeral at St. Andrew's Priory, Cowick.

On the 20th September, at Clyst, Frater William de la Hune, monk of the order of St. Benedict, priest, was collated, by lapse, to the priory or parochial church of Talkarn *alias* de la Ministre by Bishop Grandisson, because the Abbat of St. Sergius and St. Bachus, patron of the church or priory had presented a monk notoriously unworthy (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1332).

Tot. Guild Roll, M25. Single membrane, twenty-eight inches by nine and three-quarters of an inch.

29th September, 1341, 29th September, 1342. Roll of the Community of the burg of Totton containing the names entered in the Gild of Merchants of Totton after the festival of St. Michael in the 15th year of King Edward III up to the festival of St. Michael following in the 16th year. In the time when Walterus de Wercumbe and Galfridus Scoteveale were seneschals of the said Community.

Tuesday after 11th November. Thomas de Wotton entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Martin by ordinary purchase and gives 4*s.* Sureties Nycholas Kyng potter and Thomas Bryllyng. Fine 4*s.*

Willelmus Baconn pottere entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s.* 8*d.* Sureties Galfridus Scoteveale and Iohannes Phelyp. Fine 6*s.* 8*d.*

Iohannes Fayresone entered by ordinary purchase and gives 18*d*. Sureties Thomas de Nytherton and Galfridus Frya. Fine 18*d*.

Luc' Voyl entered by ordinary purchase and gives 18*d*. Sureties Walterus de Wercumbe and Galfridus Frya. Fine 18*d*.

Willelmus Knyt entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. 8*d*. Sureties Galfridus Scoteveale and Galfridus Frya. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*.

29th September, 1342, 29th September, 1343.

Roll, etc., after the festival of St. Michael in the 16th year of King Edward III to the festival of St. Michael in the 17th year of King Edward III. In the time of Walterus de Wercumbe and Galfridus Scoteveal seneschals of the said Community.

Tuesday after 18th October.

Willelmus Kena entered on Tuesday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. 8*d*. Sureties Thomas de Cobeton and Iohannes Glas. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*.

Ricardus Hamonnd entered by ordinary purchase and gives 3*s*. 4*d*. Sureties Galfridus Frya and Willelmus Sleggrom. Fine 3*s*. 4*d*.

Willelmus Wasche entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. 8*d*. Sureties Henricus Wasche and Galfridus Scoteveale. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*.

Iohannes Selya entered by ordinary purchase and gives 18*d*. Sureties Adam Voyl and Galfridus Scoteveal. Fine 18*d*.

Willelmus Durham entered by ordinary purchase and gives 18*d*. Sureties Galfridus Frya and Walterus de Wercumbe. Fine 18*d*.

Willelmus Frya entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. Sureties Galfridus Frya and Stephanus Frya. Fine 6*s*.

Willelmus Wealdelegh entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s*. 8*d*. Sureties Thomas de Cobeton and Willelmus Kena. Fine 6*s*. 8*d*.

29th September, 1343, 29th September, 1344.

Roll, etc., after the festival of St. Michael in the 17th year of King Edward III to the festival of St. Michael in the 18th year of King Edward III. In the time of Walterus de Wercumbe and Galfridus Scoteveal seneschals of the said Community.

Walterus de Ferlacumb entered by ordinary purchase and gives 4*s*. Sureties Iohannes Mayonn and Willelmus Kena. Fine 4*s*.

Iohannes Tuck entered by gift of the Community. Sureties Thomas de Nytherton and Walterus de Wercumbe.

Iohannes Hag entered by ordinary purchase and gives 4*s*. Sureties Walterus de Wercumbe and Galfridus Scoteveal. Fine 4*s*.

Walterus Wyther entered by ordinary purchase and gives 5*s*. Sureties Walterus de Wercumbe and Galfridus Scoteveal. Fine 5*s*.

Galfridus Granitta entered by ordinary purchase and gives 8*s*. Sureties Willelmus Ioan and Willelmus Kena. Fine 8*s*.

Thomas Dygonn de Chedelington entered by ordinary purchase and gives 3*s.* 4*d.* Sureties Walterus de Wercumbe and Thomas de Nytherton. Fine 3*s.* 4*d.*

Iohannes Mathu entered by ordinary purchase and gives 3*s.* Sureties Adam Voyl and Martinus Godman. Fine 3*s.*

Walterus de Legh entered by ordinary purchase and gives 3*s.* Sureties Iohannes de Huddysdon and Galfridus de Malston. Fine 3*s.*

Andreas de Hurberton entered by ordinary purchase and gives 3*s.* Sureties Michael Brodryga and Thomas Bryllynga. Fine 3*s.*

Willelmus Mona entered by ordinary purchase and gives 6*s.* 8*d.* Sureties Iohannes Gilberd and Ricardus Oldereve. Fine 6*s.* 8*d.*

Willelmus Holewill entered by ordinary purchase and gives 3*s.* 4*d.* Sureties Galfridus Scoteveal and Galfridus Frya. Fine 3*s.* 4*d.*

Tot. Guild Roll, M26.

Single membrane, twenty and a half inches by nine inches. Small Arabic 7 in left-hand corner.

Roll, etc., from the festival of St. Michael in the 15th year of King Edward III to the festival of St. Michael in the 16th year of King Edward III. In the time of Walterus de Wercombe and Galfridus Scote Fyale seneschals of the said Community.

This roll is a rough copy of membrane 25.

1342.

On the 24th March Sir Adam Abraham, priest, was collated, by Bishop Grandisson, Vicar of Tywardreith "by virtue of favour or provision granted to him from the Apostolic See" (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1339).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxviii.
1343.

Be it known, etc., that I Michael Personn (exact spelling, *sic*) have given, etc,, to Iohannes de Chedelyngton' clerk all that my tenement with its appurtenances in the burg of Great Tottonia which lies between the tenement of Iohannes Bastard on the west side and the tenement of Vincencius Data on the east side. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lord of that fee, etc. And I the aforesaid Michael undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Thoma de Cobaton'; 2 Iohannes de Esse; 3 Galfridus Scotaveale; 4 Vincenceus Data; 5 Henricus de Yealborn'; 6 Martinus Pocock; 7 Iohannes Dobyn then provost of the burg of Tottonia.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next after the festival of St. Hillary in the sixteenth year of the reign of King Edward the third (Saturday after 13th January, 1343. Edward III was crowned 29th January, 1327).

Appended to parchment tag small round seal on red wax, seven-eighths of an inch diameter; central device, a Catherine wheel; the inscription round, in large letters, is very blurred, possibly reads S. KATERIN—.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 925. 1343.

Monday before 20th July. We Iohannes de Esse and Agnes his wife grant to Iohannes de Hempstonne Vicar of the church of St. Mary of Tottonia and to Robertus Scote chaplain all our mesuages, lands and tenements in Great Tottonia, Little Tottonia, Tybecombe and Uluystonne in the manor of Stavertonne. Renouncing all claim to service but granting clause of warranty. We have affixed our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne Gylberd; 2 Waltero de Wercumbe; 3 Iohanne Glas; 4 Galfrido Scoteveal; 5 Ricardo Cauhouwe; 6 Iohanne Dobyn then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others. Dated at Tottonia on Monday before the festival of St. Margaret the Virgin in the 17th year of the reign of King Edward III.

Appended on one tag, two seals; the upper one oval, measuring one and a quarter inches by seven-eighths of an inch, the lettering of inscription, although clear cut, seems to have worked loose in the mould and is quite undecipherable; the lower seal is a small round one, about half an inch diameter, with central cross, the impression of surrounding inscription is not complete.

1343.

On the 18th October the relations of Iohannes Peris, who claimed to be Archdeacon of Totonia, created a disturbance in the parish church of Bishop's Tawton.

William, son of John Pipard, occurs on behalf of "Domus de la Werlond," in the *Inquisitiones post mortem*, C. 50, 16 Edward III.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxix. 1343.

The following is a draft or copy, as no seal was ever appended to this parchment, and has on reverse another similar abstract, dated 1394. See Deed cxli.

Be it known, etc., that I Iohannes de Wynston have given, etc., to Ely Baker of Brixham and Laurencya his wife a house in my tenement of la Chircherete in Brixham with adjoining cortilage which house I have built anew situated near the tenement of Clement Boghecleve. To have and to hold the aforesaid house, etc. Whilst paying me annually two *solidi* sterling at the four principal terms of the year, etc. For this gift, etc., the aforesaid Elias and Laurencia have satisfied by hand money whilst I the aforesaid Iohannes undertake to warranty, etc. And if the aforesaid

E. and L. die without heirs all the said house, etc., revert to me. In witness of which thing I the aforesaid Iohannes as well as the said Elias have alternately appended our seals to these charters in duplicate.

Witnessed by:

1 2 Willelmus and Nicholaus de Ferraris; 3 Willelmus Humfray; 4 Willelmus Churl; 5 Luke de Southedon and others.

Dated at Winston' on Sunday on the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the seventeenth year of the reign of King Edward the third (Sunday, 21st December, 1343).

1344. On the 5th August, at Clyst, Bishop Grandisson installed Ranulph de Spaldynge, priest, as Vicar of Tywardreath, King Edward III exercising the right of patronage in default of the Prior of Tywardraithe. This installation was witnessed by:

1 Master I. de Northwode; 2 Sir I. de Raleghe; 3 Lord Edmund Piparde; 4 Petrus de Clifforde; 5 Walterus de Sweynthulle; 6 Master W. Doune; 7 N. Aunger (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1345).

Ex. Chapter Deed, No. 553. 8th December, 1344. On the festival of the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 18th year of King Edward III, John de Bokelond quit claimed a tenement to John Dobyn. Dated at Totness.

On the 16th December, at Chuddeleghe, letters of administration of the will of Thomasia were granted to her husband, Sir Iohannes de Cheverestone and were witnessed by Willelmus de Hole, Rector of the church of Dueltone (Dolton) and Lord Robertus, Vicar of Alvyngtone (West Alvington) (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 989).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxx. 1345. Be it known, etc., that I Thomas Stephene have given, etc., to Matillda my wife and to Margeria my daughter all mesuages, rents of ground and tenements, etc., which I have, etc., in the burg of Tottonia or without. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lord of that fief for rent and service due. And I the aforesaid Thomas undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing my seal is appended to this present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Galfridus Scotabeale; 2 Walterus de Wercumbe; 3 Thomas de Nychurton'; 4 Ricardus Canhowe; 5 Iohannes Mayonn; 6 Michael Brodrygt; 7 Benedictus Beria then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Wednesday next after the festival of Saint Mark

the Evangelist in the nineteenth year of the reign of King Edward the third (Wednesday after 25th April, 1345).

On reverse in English: "Stephen his grant to his wiefe and his daughter of all his lands in Totton."

Appended to parchment tag a solid lump of dark red sealing wax, in which a deep impression has been made, and the shape of wax afterwards disfigured, which seems to point to material hardening very slowly; the impression is quite undecipherable.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxi. 1345.

Be it known that I Margeria daughter of Walterus Sperkawylle have given, etc., to Thomas Stephene and Matillida his wife the half of a tenement and the half of a curtilage, etc., outside the east gate of the burg of Tottonia, etc., which lie on the east side of the tenement of Ricardus de Dancumbe and on the west side of the tenement which formerly belonged to Iohannes de Blakadon'. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lord of the fief for rent and service due. And I Margeria undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Galfridus Scotebeale; 2 Iohannes Mayonn; 3 Ricardus Oldereve; 4 Ivon Pyria; 5 Benedictus Beria then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Wednesday next before the festival of Saint Barnabas the Apostle in the 19th year of the reign of King Edward III (Wednesday before 11th June, 1345).

On reverse in English: "Sperkewell her grant to Stephen of a moitie of a tenement and one orchard."

Appended to parchment tag a well preserved seal; the impress not sufficiently clear to explain.

B.M. Add. MSS. 27246. 1347.

Wednesday after 28th June. John de Hempston perpetual Vicar of the Church of Totton' grants to Willelmus Kena of Great Tottonia a piece of land in Great Tottonia which lies between the land of Ivo Pyria on the west side and the land of Stephen Frya on the east and the land of Geoffrey de Malston on the south side and the land of John Ude on the north. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering service due, etc. Clause of warranty.

Witnessed by:

1 John Gylberd; 2 Geoffrey Sotebeal; 3 Benedict Berya; 4 John

Mayoun; 5 Adam Langhetrie THEN SECOND PROVOST of the burg of Totton, and others. Dated at Tottonia Wednesday next after the festival of the Apostles Peter and Paul, the 21st year of the reign of King Edward III.

1347. 8th July, Sunday. Another important ceremonial took place at Exeter, when Richard Fitz-Ralph, Dean of Lichfield, was consecrated to the metropolitan see of Armagh. The Bishops of Bath and Wells, Salisbury and St. Asaph, the Abbats of Hartland, Torre, Newenham and Buckfastleigh, with the Prior of Plympton, assisted, with an immense concourse of clergy, regular and secular (Oliver, *Lives Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 82).

This occurred the year before the outbreak of the Black Death. It is very doubtful if Prior Robertus de Conka attended this ceremonial, as we learn of the dissolute life he was leading.

1348. On the 7th July that terrible scourge, known as the Black Death, broke out at the port of Melcombe-Regis (Weymouth) in Dorsetshire, and spread rapidly through the southern and western counties, especially in Devonshire, where it became prevalent probably already within the month of July. On the 30th October the Bishop issued a mandate for special prayers and masses in the churches of the diocese (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, part iii, preface, fo. lxv).

On the 23rd December the Bishop addresses a long letter to the Prior of the Priory, not mentioning him by name, saying that he learns, as a result of the visitation of his commissary, that, owing to the improvident rule of the Prior, the Priory, in possessions as in religious exercises, has much deteriorated, and wishing to relieve the house as far as is in his power, orders the Prior, under threat of the greater excommunication, to comply with the following instructions.

Firstly, divine service day and night at the customary hours is to be celebrated. Women and laymen are not to be allowed in the choir of your Conventual church during the celebration of divine service to sit or stand and talk with you as it is said has been the custom hitherto. We forbid you, either in the Priory or elsewhere, to consort or have speech with women of any kind.

The Prior is prohibited from administering the temporal possessions of the Priory.

A certain Jacobus de Conca brother and Jacobus de Spina nephew of the said Prior keep horses dogs and hawks in the Priory as well as useless servants and use, dissipate and consume the property of the Priory in eating and drinking: we order that the dogs, horses, birds and servants

are to be removed within eight days from the time this is received and the said brother and nephew are not to be permitted to enter, to sell, buy, receive, or in any manner to dispose of the goods of the Priory.

The tithes which you receive from outside parishes are not to be granted under any form of compact to the rectors or curates of the churches, etc.

Since the Prior is suspended, as above mentioned from the administration of the property of the Priory, we have appointed Frater Petrus Burgoil your fellow monk and confrère and lord Andreas de Cheverestone priest, commended for their faith and industry and unanimously elected by the whole Convent, as ministrators and governors. Therefore we enjoin your obedience and humble assistance to the said Petrus and Andreas. They are annually to render a full account before you or your deputy. All this is to be accomplished before the festival of St. Hillary (13th January) following (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1073).

1348 On the following day, the 24th December, the Bishop issues a letter to Frater Petrus Burgoil, monk, etc., and Lord Andreas de Cheverestone, priest, entrusting them with the administration of the temporalities of the Priory, owing to the excessive simplicity, imprudence and extravagance of Prior Robertus (*ibidem*, fo. 1075).

Not until five years later, 27th December, 1353, was another Prior instituted, but as the anniversary of Prior Robertus de Conka is entered in the obituary calendar of Tywardraith Priory, Cornwall, as the 3rd March (Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 239), presumably his death occurred on 3rd March, 1353.

There can be no doubt that the life of religious in some of the monastical establishments in this part of the country had become anything but an example to the laity.

1328-29. In his letter to Pope Iohannes XXII, in the second year of his episcopacy, Bishop Grandisson has to complain of Robert Bonus, Abbat of Tavistock "a native of Aquitaine, promoted by your Holiness, through the deceit of others, has shown himself to be utterly irreligious and a despiser of the worship of God from the first day of his arrival amongst us; worrying his monks with base charges and insults and provoking the nobles and all others in his neigbourhood, so that he is hated of all men, and will bring destruction to his house and to himself also through his furious madness if he cannot be effectually checked" (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, preface, fo. xxvii).

Even some of the Canons of the Cathedral Church are described as

mercenaries, if not robbers. They spent their time on their private business or in hunting, and even when at rare intervals they attended the Cathedral, they could not behave themselves. It was some time before the Bishop could restore a semblance of discipline. The Dean, Richard de Coletone, proved so refractory that the Bishop was finally compelled to excommunicate him.

1330. In this year an armed band of lay-folk seized the parish church of Whitchurch near Tavistock, fortified themselves, and trenched the ground around, instigated thereto by Abbat Bonus of Tavistock. This Abbat and his Convent claimed the right of presentation to the church, which the Bishop refused to sanction, and instituted a nominee of his own. The Abbat of Buckland, who went in force to induct the Bishop's protégé was driven away by force in spite of the sentence of excommunication he pronounced against his adversaries.

1336. The Prior of Launceston, Adam de Knolle, we learn, was "a man of evil repute, unworthy of his profession and given to spending much of his time outside his house, consorting not only with men of the world but even with dissolute women. For ten years longer this condition of things went on, until, in 1346, the Bishop removed him.

1338. At Tavistock, Abbat Courtenay, who succeeded the nefarious Bonus, proved little better than his predecessor, and the Abbey, once most wealthy, was reduced to great indebtedness.

The Chancellor of the Cathedral, Walter Meriet, persistently neglected his duties, allowed his churches at Stoke Gabriel and St. Newlyn to fall in ruins to the ground, although described as a wealthy man with large estates.

Walter de Botriaux, member of a powerful family, was Rector, only in name, of St. Ruan-Lanyhorne, in Cornwall. Absorbed in secular pursuits and "other offences," he would not reside in his benefice.

1340. Grave irregularities had become the custom at Frithelstock Priory, the Sub-Prior in particular having misconducted himself.

1346 The patience of the Bishop with the Prior and Convent of Bodmin, was quite exhausted. The Prior was utterly unworthy and was suspended.

With such examples, can we wonder at the lawlessness and irreligion of the times? Bishop Grandisson's Register contains many records illustrating the want of respect for religion and sacred edifices.

1333. The tithe-payers of Silverton, near Exeter, refused to pay the Rector his due; the Bishop threatening them with excommunication for their "damnable presumption."

1335. The bailiff of Plympton Priory, John Haywarde, attacked by a band of men, took refuge in Suttone Church. The ruffians broke in the door, desecrated the church, dragged their victim from the altar and broke his legs.

1336. The populace endeavoured to intrude a certain Roger de Trevyliaus in place of Nicholas de Weylonde, Vicar of Suttone. They pillaged the vicarage and drove out of the place the Bishop's representative, whom he had sent to quell the tumult.

1338. Even the Cathedral was not inviolate. A band, headed by one William de Gyldene, invaded the choir during divine service on All Saints' Day and demanded of the Dean that their leader should be admitted to the stall of Reginald de Campo-Arnulphi; mass was interrupted and the Canons assailed with force.

1343. On the 18th October, even while Bishop Grandisson was preaching in the parish church of Bishop's Tawton, a body of armed men rushed in with the intention of murdering him; all such "sons of perdition" were promptly excommunicated, but for many the ban had ceased to have any terror.

1347. The escapades of Sir Theobald de Grenevile with his followers illustrate the condition of the popular mind. On one occasion about five hundred attacked the manor house of Bishop's Tawton, destroyed and robbed the place, killing their opponents, and the following year, 22nd July, they took possession of and defended the church of Kilkhampton, against the Bishop's emissaries, causing the Abbat of Hartland and the Prior of Launceston, with their followers, to flee from the locality. It was not until 14th January, 1350, that this brigand knight submitted to Bishop Grandisson's authority.

In the south at the same time, owing to trouble in some of the churches, the Archdeacon of Totnes, John de Northwode, sent William de Tounstalle to try and arrange matters. The Commissary opened an enquiry at Yealmpton parish church, but again some two hundred armed "sons of perdition" entered the sacred edifice, seized the Commissary's documents and drove him and his clerks out of the church. They would doubtless have been murdered had they not taken refuge in the adjoining house of the lady of the manor, Dame Margaret de Monthermer, who sheltered them from "the satellites of Satan."

When true religious sentiment in the public mind and respect for law and authority had sunk to such a low ebb, with what terrible meaning to

1349. the few thoughtful minds must the visitation of 1349, the plague known as "the Black Death," have been regarded.

The effect of this terrible scourge on the religious houses was most disastrous. The communal life of the monks made them peculiarly subject to the contagion once it appeared in their midst.

We have no record to show whether Totnes or its Priory suffered more or less from the disease. A market town, and on a main thoroughfare, it cannot have escaped. The Prior at the time, Robertus de Conka, we know, was spared. There is reason to believe that the two vicars of the parish church were taken in rapid succession. Sir John de Hemestone (inst. 21st May, 1337) and Sir Andrew de Chevelestone (inst. 17th January, 1348-49) were succeeded on the 30th March, 1349 by Sir John Trehewyn, who resigned 1350-51, in favour of John de Southdone (inst. 4th February).

The same fate apparently befel the chaplains of the little chantry of St. Edmund King and Martyr, on the bridge of Totnes, particularly liable to contagion carried by wayfarers. Sir Robert Scote (inst. 7th October, 1333) was succeeded by Sir John Morweyn (inst. 3rd April, 1349; his ministry only lasted a few months, for Sir Thomas Hillay was instituted on the 13th September, 1349. He seemed to survive the epidemic, and was not replaced until 1356.

But Grandisson, perhaps the greatest of Exeter's bishops, was spared to point the lesson of this divine visitation. No bishop ever had a greater task; for forty-two years he laboured to right the wrong; his courage must have been truly exceptional.

17th January. Sir Andrew de Chevelestone, priest, was installed Vicar of Totheneys, at Chudleigh. Patron, King Edward III, "*occasione guerre*," etc. (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1371).

30th March. Sir John Trehewyn was installed Vicar of Tottonia, at Chudleigh. Patron, King Edward III, "*racione Prioratus de Totteneys in manu sua occasione guerre*," etc. Letters of Induction directed to the Dean of Totnes and the Vicar of Berry Pomeroy "*vacante Archidiaconatu*" (*ibidem*, fo. 1381).

3rd April. Sir John Morweyn, priest, was installed chaplain of the perpetual chantry of the chapel on the bridge of Tottonia, at Chudleigh. Patron, Sir William de la Zouche. Letters of Induction directed to the Dean of Totnes and the Vicar of Totnes (*ibidem*, fo. 1382).

8th July, at Chudleigh, Bishop Grandisson installed Frater William Decimarii to the Priory of la Mynstre (*ibidem*, fo. 1394).

13th September. Sir Thomas Hillay, priest, was installed (at Clyst) chaplain of the perpetual chantry of the chapel of St. Edmund King, on the bridge of Tottonia. Patron, Sir William la Zouche, knt. (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1398).

1350. 4th February. On the resignation of John Trewynt, Vicar of Tottenesse, John de Southdone, chaplain, was installed Vicar of Tottenesse, at Ottery St. Mary. Patron, King Edward III, "*racione Prioratus Tottonie in manu sua, occasione guerre inter ipsum et adversarios suos de Francia mote, existentis*" (*ibidem*, fo. 1415).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 928. 1350. Subsequent to 23rd April. We Willelmus la Zousche Lord of Totteneys concede and license Walterus de Wercombe our citizen of the burg of Tottonia that he and his heirs may have a pent house (*unum pentitium*—a shed, covered with boards) in the King's highway contiguous to his tenement.

Dated at Totteneys on (day of the week obscured by damp stain) after the festival of St. George the Martyr in the 24th year of the reign of King Edward III.

Appended tag with a fragment of red seal attached. The seal is of much superior workmanship to those noticed on contemporary documents. In the remaining piece of the border are the letters OTEN.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 926. 1351. Saturday before 8th September. We Iohannes de Southdonne Vicar of the church of Tottonia and Stephanus de Churustowe chaplain grant to Walterus de Wercombe and Susanna his wife two mesuages with curtilages adjoining and also a garden with appurtenances in Great Totonia of which one mesuage is between the tenement which formerly belonged to Iohannes de Esse on the east side and the tenement which belonged to Iohannes Galewey on the west side and the other tenement is between the tenement of Willelmus Mona (possibly meant for Moine—Monk) on the west side and the tenement of Iohannes Matheu on the east side. And the garden in question lies near the road which leads from Tottonia towards Hohewille on the west side and between the garden of the lepers Maddalen (hospital) and the garden of the heirs of Stephanus de Strete on the east side. To have and to hold, etc. And if the said Walterus and Susanna die without offspring the second tenement and the garden are to remain to the legal heirs of Susanna, etc., and the first mesuage the aforesaid Walterus can dispose of after the death of Susanna to whomever he wishes. Holding from the lord of the fief for rent and service due, etc. Clause of warranty is granted. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne de Falewille; 2 Galfrido de Malstonne; 3 Waltero de Ferlacombe; 4 Iohanne Fayresone; 5 Willelmo Mona then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Saturday before the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 25th year of the reign of King Edward III.

First seal about seven-eighths of an inch in diameter; the device possibly intended for the crown of thorns, enclosing emblems of the crucifixion. Second seal about three-quarters of an inch in diameter; might be a bird perched over its nest, but without some clue the exact meaning of both these seals is difficult to determine.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 927.

A counterpart of 926, with two tags appended, to the first of which a seal remains affixed; from the second, judging by the appearance of the parchment, the wax has been broken off. The one remaining seal is about three-quarters of an inch in diameter. A border, with inscription very much blurred, encloses a circle; the upper part contains what may be intended for a branching vine; the lower half, I H S, the "s" set in the wrong way.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 929. 1351.

Monday after 6th May. I Walterus de Wercombe have granted to Iohannes de Southdonne Vicar of the church of Totonia and to Stephanus Churstowe chaplain two mesuages with adjoining curtilages and one garden with appurtenances in Great Tottonia of which one mesuage is between the tenement formerly belonging to Iohannes de Esse on the east side and the tenement which belonged to Iohannes Caliwey on the west side. And the other tenement is between the tenement of Willelmus Mona on the west side and the tenement of Iohannes Mathu on the east side and the garden in question lies near the way which leads from Tottonia towards the Lychewylle on the west side and between the garden of the Magdalen lepers and the garden of the heirs of Stephanus de Strete on the east side. To have and to hold, etc. And I the aforesaid Walterus hold to warranty. etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Galfrido de Malstonne; 2 Philipo Symon; 3 Iohannes de Falewyll; 4 Waltero Ferlecombe; 5 Willelmo Mona then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday after the festival of St. John before the Latin Gate in the 25th year of the reign of King Edward III.

Appended black wax seal with slight impression, about three-quarters of an inch diameter, design of which is undiscernible.

1352. On the 10th October, apparently the only occasion during his long episcopacy, 1326-1369, Bishop Grandisson was at Totnes (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1531).

1353. 3rd March. Prior Robertus de Conka died (according to the obituary calendar of Tywardraith Priory).

PRIOR MICHAEL BOUGES.

1353. Frater Michael Bouges, monk of St. Sergius and St. Bachus of Angers, was installed, at Chudleigh, 27th December, on the presentation of Sir William la Zouche, of Haringworth, knight, and on the nomination of Frater William Bouges, Prior of Tywardreath, Commissary of the Abbat of the said Monastery "*presentibus tunc ibidem magistris B. de Pastone R. de Inkepenne; necnon magistro N. de Braibroke Notario Publico.*"

The procuration for nomination to the Priory is sent by Guido, Abbat of SS. Sergius and Bacchus, empowering Frater Guillermus Bouges, Prior of Tywardraythe, and is dated in their Chapter-house, 7th October, 1353. The presentation by Lord William de la Zouche of Frater Michael Bouges is dated 16th December, 1353, at Haryngworthe (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1429).

1354. On the 26th February, at Chudleigh, Sir Robert Pellyn, priest, was installed Vicar of Tywardreath by Bishop Grandisson. King Edward III, on account of the war, having the Priory in his hands (*ibidem*, fo. 1431).

Dugdale wrongly records this Prior as admitted 25th December, 1354.

1355. On 1st February, in appointing confessors for the various Archdeaneries: for the Archdeanry of Wodeleghe, Bishop Grandisson appointed Lord Willelmus Gylayn, Rector of Alyngtone (East Allington), and Master Iohannes Colrigge, Vicar of Alvyngtone (West Alvington); for the Archdeaconry of Tottonia, Benedictus (Riche), Vicar of Brente, and Galfridus (Iolyf), Vicar of Hurbertone (Harberton) (*ibidem*, fo. 1143).

On the 16th February, among the clergy in the Archdeaconry of Exeter appointed as Confessors, in the Deanery of Ayllesbeare, occurs the name of Lord Rogerus Slake, Vicar of the Church of Clystone (Broadclyst) (*ibidem*, fo. 1146).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxii. 1355. Be it known that I Thomas Stephene have given, etc., to Thoma Frya, etc., all my tenement with curtilage adjoining beyond the east gate between the tenement of the (*eperis*) (the lettering is certainly "*eperis.*" *Ephorus, i*: signified a magistrate of considerable power, the word should probably read *operis*) of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia on the east side

and the tenement of the aforesaid Thoma Frya on the west side. To have and to hold, etc. Whilst rendering to the lords of Tottonia rent and service due. And I the aforesaid Thomas Stephene undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Galfridus Malston'; 2 Walterus Wercomb'; 3 Willelmus Mone; 4 Walterus Ferlecomb'; 5 Iohannes Austyn then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and many others.

Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next after the festival of Saint John before the Latin gate in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of King Edward the third (Saturday after 6th May, 1355).

Appended to parchment tag a white wax seal, with impression one inch diameter; too damaged to be decipherable.

1356 1st July. Sir Walter Wollecombe, priest, was installed chaplain of the perpetual chantry on the bridge of Tottonia, at Chudleigh. Patron, Sir William de la Souche, knt., Lord of Totnes (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1439).

1357. On the 18th March a license is granted to Lord Petrus de Gyldesburghe, Archdeacon of Tottonia, to exercise jurisdiction during the visitation of the Bishop in his Archdeaconry. A similar license was granted in 1329 (*ibidem*, fo. 1193).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 930. 1358. On Monday after the 6th January. I Martinus Bodyn and Alicia his wife quit claim to Iohannes Pors all their right in certain lands and tenements which belonged to Walterus Wercombe brother of the said Alicia in Great Tottonia. To have and to hold, etc. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Petro Bastard; 2 Iohanne Russel; 3 Iohanne Overay; 4 Waltero Mosevenne; 5 Iohanne Austyn, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday after the festival of Epiphany in the 30th year of the reign of King Edward III.

Appended tag, from which the seal has possibly been broken.

Ex. Chapter Deed, No. 1914. 1359. John de Bokeland granted to John Dobyn a house in the wall side of the high street of the burg of Great Totness. Seal attached.

Tot. Mun. Deed, 24th August, 1359. To all the faithful of Christ, etc., Lord Ricardus Harepathe chaplain and Willelmus ate Wille of Cokyngton greeting. Be it known that Adam Frya of Totton' has given, etc., to us two tenements with curtilages adjoining in Great Totton, etc. We have alternately appended our seals.

Written at Totton on St. Bartholomew's day in the 33rd year of King Edward III.

Tag cut, but no seal appears to have been affixed.

1360. On the 11th January the Prior of the Monastery of Tottenesse, together with the other Abbats and Priors in the diocese, is summoned to a Convocation by Simon, Archbishop of Canterbury, through the medium of Michael, Bishop of London, to meet in St. Paul's Cathedral, on the Monday after the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary (3rd February) (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1206).

1362. In March the Bishop commissions Magister Willelmus Carslake, Rector of Neutone Ferrers, and Magister Walterus Bauntone, Rector of Uppetone Pyn, to exercise Archidiaconal jurisdiction in the Archdeaconry of Tottonia during his visitation (*ibidem*, fo. 1238).

15th November. Sir John Michel, priest, was collated Vicar of Totton', by lapse, at Chudleigh (*ibidem*, fo. 1488).

1363. On the 1st April Henry Treworgy was ordained accolite and subdeacon by the Bishop of London in St. Paul's Cathedral on the nomination of the house of Saint Andrew of Trewardrathe (Priory). Letters dimissory being granted by his diocesan (*ibidem*, fo. 1241).

1369. 22nd December Thomas Raulyn was also ordained subdeacon in St. Paul's Cathedral, with the same formalities (*ibidem*).

1363. 30th May. On the resignation of Sir Walter de Wollecombe, John de Wyndeshore, priest, was installed chaplain of the chantry of the chapel of St. Edmund, King, upon the bridge of Tottonia, at Chudleigh. Patron, Sir William de la Zouche, knt., Lord of Haringworth (who was in foreign parts) by his Attorneys-General, Adam Darderne de Bolewyke, clerk, and John Knyvet (*ibidem*, fo. 1492).

Tot. Mun. Charter, No. 1. 1364. The oldest deed under the Great Seal, and therefore termed Charter and numbered separately in the collection of the Municipality of Totnes, is an Exemplification, dated at Westminster, 20th October, in the thirty-eighth year of King Edward III (not the eighth year, as erroneously recorded *Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 165).

Edward (III) by grace, etc., greeting. We have inspected the tenour of a certain Assize of New Disseisin summoned before our Justices in Devon, referred by them to our Justices of the Bench and which we have caused to come before us in our Chancellery. The plea was heard at Exeter before Iohannes Moubray and Edwardus de Chelereye Justices, on Monday after the festival of St. Mathias the Apostle in the 38th year of King Edward III, whether Willelmus Personn de Dodefenne and Alicia his

Monday after 24th February, 1364.

wife, Walterus Personne de Dodefenne and Iohannes Michel chaplain had unlawfully disseised Iohannes Dobyn de Toton of his free tenement in Magna Tottonia namely one mesuage and one acre with appurtenances. Willelmus and Alicia are present and Adam Ro bailiff of the others represented them. Willelmus and Alicia reply that they hold the tenements in question: that Magna Tottonia in which the tenements are situated is a burg (*burgus*) in which are a Mayor and Bailiffs and Constables: and they say that that burg is an ancient demesne of the crown of the lord King and the tenements are in the jurisdiction of (*sunt placitabilia coram*) the said Mayor Bailiffs and Constables, etc.

And Iohannes Dobyn says that the burg is subject (*placitabilis*) to the common law and has always existed and is not an ancient demesne as is alleged.

Wednesday after 2nd July.

And as the record of Domesday is called in witness a day is appointed at Westminster on Wednesday after the octave of St. John the Baptist. On which day Iohannes Dobyn and the aforesaid Willelmus Personn and Alicia come. And under date Westminster 4th May in the 38th year of his reign and in the King's name a certificate is issued by the Treasurer and Chamberlain in the Chancellery as follows.

4th May, 1364.

In the book of Domesday in Devenescire among the lands of Iudhel de Totenays is included thus—Iudhel holds of the King Totenays a burg which King Edward held in demesne: there are there within the burg one hundred citizens less five and fifteen without the burg working the land. From all rents it renders VIII *libros* at least, formerly it rendered III *libros* by weight and assay: this burg does not pay geld unless Exonia pays geld and then renders forty *denarios*; if an expedition moves by land or by sea Tottenays Barnestaple and Lydeford render as much service as Exonia renders. Iudhel himself has one house in Execestre which in the time of King Edward rendered VIII*d.* custom.

Saturday after 2nd July.

And because the Court had not yet decided if the aforesaid lands are of ancient demesne, etc., a day is appointed before the same Justices, etc., at Westminster for Saturday after the octave of St. John the Baptist: at which day the aforesaid parties came. And the case is further adjourned to be brought before the Justices of the King's Bench at Westminster in the XV days following St. Michael's day. And on the evidence of the above certificate it is decreed that the aforesaid burg of Totton is an ancient demesne of the crown, etc. Therefore Iohannes Dobyn receives nothing by his plea but is in mercy, etc. And Willelmus and Alicia go thence without a day (*i.e.* have not to answer further to judgment).

Michaelmas Term.

We therefore, at the request of the Mayor, Constables and of the Community of the aforesaid burg, by the tenour of these presents cause an Exemplification of the tenour of the aforesaid record and process to be made. In witness of which thing we have caused these letters patent to be made. Witnessed by me at Westminster the 20th October in the 38th year of our reign. Roll XLI per Nicholaus de Spaigne and Robertus de Muskham.

On reverse: "This was showen to me Hull." "Edward the third." "Totnes is auncient demesne."

Appended the Great Seal of Edward III.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxiii. 1366.

Be it known, etc., that I Isabella daughter of Michael Soz in my girlhood have given, etc., to Willelmus Bancombe de Tottonia, etc., all my tenement, etc., in great Tottonia within the north gate of the same town which tenement came to me by gift and feofment of the aforesaid Michael my father. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lord of that fief for rent and service due. And I the aforesaid Isabell' undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Austyn; 2 Petrus Bastard; 3 Willelmus Mone; 4 Iohannes Bokelond; 5 Iohannes Russel then provost of the burg of Tottonia and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Tuesday next before the festival of Saint Gregory in the fortieth year of the reign of King Edward III (Tuesday before 12th March, 1366).

On reverse in English: "Totton' a grant made to Bancomb."

Appended to parchment tag a well preserved round seal seven-eighths of an inch diameter; centre device a Catherine wheel; lettering undecipherable.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxiv. 1367.

Be it known, etc., that I Dionisia who was the wife of Benedictus Bere of Tottonia have given, etc., to Iohannes Aston' Iohannes Grey and Walterus Fouke (or Fonke) of Exonia all my tenement with adjoining curtilage, etc,, in Great Tottonia which tenement is situated between the tenement formerly of Willelmus Iohan on the east side and the tenement of Iohannes Dobyn on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief for service due. And I the aforesaid Dionisia

undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Petrus Bastard; 2 Ricardus Canheowe; 3 Walterus Ferlecombe; 4 Walterus Mosefenne; 5 Willelmus Mone; 6 Willelmus Bancombe; 7 Ricardus Ballonde; 8 Iohannes Mattheu then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Monday next after the festival of the Apostles Peter and Paul in the forty-first year of the reign of King Edward III (Monday after 29th June, 1367).

Appended to parchment tag a well preserved seal in red wax, seven-eighths of an inch diameter; central device a combination of signs difficult to determine surmount the letters I R C. Lettering round reads PRIVES DP? ?

1367. 22nd September. On the resignation of Sir John Michel, Sir John Wynddyshore, priest, was installed Vicar of Totteneys, at Chudleigh. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totnes (*Reg. Bp. Grandisson*, fo. 1504).

1368. 14th January. Henry Hotot, priest, was installed chaplain of the chapel or chantry of St. Edmund King, upon the bridge of Tottonia. Patron, Sir William la Zouche of Haryngworthe, knt. (*ibidem*, fo. 1504).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 260. 1368. Monday before 23rd April. I Martinus de Lymbiry have given to Walterus de Thorslegh a tenement in Great Tottonia near the Foss (of the bridge of Tottonia—rather illegible) which I acquired from Iohannes Haslar and is between the way leading from Totton' towards the river mill and the tenement of (Ricardus ?) Walterus.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardo Canhewe; 2 Waltero Ferlecomb; 3 Iohanne Antron (? possibly Austyn, see No. 931 below); 4 Iohanne Mayhe; 5 Iohanne Checker, and others. Dated at Tottonia on Monday before the festival of St. George in the 42nd year of King Edward III.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 931. 1368. On Sunday before Easter. We Walterus de Thorslegh and Sormunda his wife have granted to Martinus de Lymbur all that our part of our tenement to build over near the bridge of Tottonia between the tenement of the aforesaid Martinus on the east side and the part of Iohannes de Esse in the same tenement on the west side. We grant also to the same Martinus all our share of that orchard (*ortum*) in the suburb of the burg of Tottonia near to the river between the orchard of Robertus de

Blakedonne on the north side and the way which leads towards Long Meet (*longa meta*) outside the walls of Tottonia which by law and inheritance were left to the said Sormunda on the death of Iohannes Bastard and Iohanna his wife according to the custom of the burg of Tottonia. To have all, etc., to the said Martinus from the day of this deed to the end of sixty years. The said Martinus or his heirs paying us, etc., three *solidi* of good money annually at the four terms in equal portions. And doing all service due, etc. Clause of distraint follows. And if the said Martinus and his heirs wish to renew the lease the rent to be at ten *solidi* annually and if not paid to revert to the owners. Clause of warranty follows. Both parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardo Caunhewe; 2 Iohanne Austyn; 3 Galfrido Veale; 4 Willelmo Ambrok; 5 Iohanne Checkere provost of the burg, and others. Dated at Tottonia on Sunday before the festival of Easter in the 42nd year of the reign of King Edward III.

Appended one tag, but probably seal has never been attached.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxv. 1368.

The ink of this deed is unusually faded, as if it had been exposed to a bleaching process.

May it be manifest, etc., that we Iohannes Mapennene and Isabella his wife quit claim, etc., to Walterus Floytz all right, etc., which we have in three parcels (this word, if so intended, is badly spelt, "*parsellis*") which are on the north side of our land of Floytos near the land of Floyt called Whiteleye atte Fachys, etc. Renouncing all rights to exact from or sell, etc. And we Iohannes and Isabella, etc., undertake to warranty against the lord of Dertyngtonn, etc.,——on Friday next after the festival of Saint Martyn in the 42nd year of the reign of King Edward (Friday after 4th July, 1368).

Appended to parchment tag a brown wax seal, seven-eighths of an inch diameter; central device evidently intended for lamb facing dexter with head turned back, and flag. The lettering is too crude, incomplete and defaced to be decipherable.

1369. A second great pestilence broke out similar, but not so virulent as that of 1349.

15th July. Bishop John de Grandisson died, in his seventy-seventh year, and the forty-second of his episcopacy. In his will he leaves six marcs each to the Priories of Plympton, Bodmin, Launceston and St. German's for celebrating his obit, two *solidi* to each priest in the Abbeys

of Ford, Buckfast, Dunkeswylle, Torre and Boclonde, and the Priory of Frithelestoke. The Bishop also remembers by gifts the Priory of St. Nicholas Exeter and the houses of Polslo, Canounleghe, Cornworthy, and others, but there is no mention of Totnes Priory or Tywardreath. Tavistock Abbey is also omitted, probably owing to the trouble this Community had caused Bishop Grandisson; possibly the mal-administration of Prior Robertus de Conka led to similar omission in the case of Totnes.

1370. Sunday, 12th May, at Stepney, Thomas de Brantyngham was consecrated Bishop of Exeter by Simon Sudbury Bishop of London, assisted by Geoffrey Archbishop of Damascus, and John Bishop of Bayonne, but as at the time of his election he was Lord High Treasurer of England he was unable to visit his Cathedral until July, 1371, some fourteen months after his elevation to the see (Oliver, *Lives Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 90).

On the 18th July Bishop Brantyngham grants a special licence to Lord Robertus Arenthorpe, Rector of the Church of Asprintone, to absent himself from his church for one year "out of regard for Willelmus Stele, our Archdeacon of Tottonia." The rents and income of his church he is permitted to put out to farm to any ecclesiastical personage so long as the service of his church is not neglected (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 228).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxvi. 1372. May it be manifest, etc., that I Walterus Willecomb' chaplain have quit-claimed, etc., to Iohannes Parkewille and to Amicia his wife all right, etc., in all that mesuage with adjoining curtilage situated in Great Tottonia outside the west gate which formerly belonged to Ricardus Hetherton also in a certain garden near the road which leads from Tottonia towards Duenewille which I had from the gift and feofment of the said Iohannes and Amicia, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal. Dated at Tottonia on the third day of the month of March in the forty-sixth year of the reign of King Edward III (3rd March, 1372).

On reverse: in English, "Wellacomb his releas to Sperkwill"; in Latin, "concerning a house outside the west gate of Tottonia."

Appended to parchment tag a very flat green wax seal, with circular impression, five-eighths of an inch diameter; much blurred.

1372. King Edward III addressed a writ, dated 11th August, Westminster, to Bishop Brantyngham, to exhort the faithful by the celebration of masses, reading the word of God, by devout processions, by fasts, by vigils, the

distribution of gifts and public prayer and preaching to invoke the assistance of the Deity for their King in his endeavour to recover his lawful heritage, the Crown and Realm of France. The Bishop sent this writ to the Dean on the 29th August, requiring him to obey the King's mandate; and also to the Officials-Peculiar in Devon and Cornwall, and the Dean of Christianity.

Dugdale and Oliver both record "John le Rouges" as dying Prior of Totnes in this year. This seems to be a curious confusion of Prior Michael Bouges, who died in this year, with his successor John le Bovers or Rovers.

PRIOR JOHN LE BOVERS.

1372. On the death of Frater Michael Bouges, Frater John le Bovers, monk of the Monastery of SS. Sergius and Bachus, near Andegaviam, in France, was admitted (at Clyst), 29th October. Patron, Sir William la Zouche of Haryngworth, knt., on the nomination of the King "*hac vice.*"

Mandate for Induction directed to the Official of the Archdeacon of Totnes and to Master Roger (Clappishale), Rector of Ipplepen, and Master Robert (Arnethorpe), Rector of Ashprington. The King's Nomination (*occasione guerre*) is dated 14th October, 1372 (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 23).

1373. On the 15th January, at Exeter, Edmund atte Stone, formerly Rector of Chardlynch (Diocese of Bath and Wells), was installed Vicar of Broadclyst in succession to Sir John (Rodekyn) de Aldeby, who exchanged benefices with him. *N.B.* There is no mention of the patronage of Broadclyst being vested in the Prior of Tottonia on this occasion. The patron of Chardlynch, is mentioned as Beatrice de Bradeneye.

This Vicar again exchanged his living in 1386, for that of Samford Brett (Somerset) (*ibidem*, fo. 25).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxvii. 1374. Be it known, etc., that I Robertus Sladda of Aschperton have given, etc., to Ricardus Stozion, Iohannes Stozion and to Lord Stephanus de Coppesdon chaplain all lands and tenements which I have, etc., in the burg of Tottonia which Michael Parson of Tottonia formerly held. To have and to hold, etc. Whilst rendering annually and doing service due to the lords of that fief. And I the aforesaid Robertus undertake to

warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Nicholaus Whytyng; 2 Willelmus Ryke; 3 Walterus Mousefen; 4 Walterus Strete; 5 Iohannes Aylmesworthi; 6 Iohannes Lomb; 7 Bartholomeus Tauton', and others.

Dated at Aschperton' on the Saturday next before the festival of St. George the Martyr in the forty-eighth year of the reign of King Edward III (Saturday before 23rd April, 1374).

On reverse in English: "Sledda his grant to Storion of his lande in Totton."

Appended to parchment tag seal with impress about three-quarters of an inch diameter, showing small shield (*inescutcheon*) with lion rampant; the inscription round the seal is too blurred to be decipherable.

1374. King Edward III on 6th March, at Westminster, required Bishop Brantyngham to give particulars of the value of all alien benefices in his diocese.

The Bishop reported that Frater Iohannes (le Bovers), Prior of Tottonia, holds the Parish Church of Clystone (Broadclyst), according to ordinary estimation xl*li.*; the Church of Tottonia, according to ordinary estimation x*li.*; the Church of Brixham, according to ordinary estimation xl*li.*; from the Church of Ermyngtone an annual pension of ii marcs; from the church of Corneworthy an annual pension of xxx *solidi.*

The Prior does not reside in the said Priory, and has had possession of the Priory about one and a half years (admitted 29th October, 1372).

The Priory of Tottonia heads the list; then follow particulars of the possessions of the Priories of Cowyke, St. James (Tiverton Collegiate Church), Carsewylle, Ottertone, Lodres, Modbery, Monte-acuto, Barnastapolie and Mount St. Michael.

Frater Willelmus de la Haye, Prior of Tywardraythe, holds the Church of St. Austol of the annual value l*li.* iii*s.* v*d.*; the Chapel of Landrethe (St. Blazey, then a parochial chapel dependent on St. Austell, now a parish church) of the annual value x*li.* ii*s.* iii*d.*; the Church of Fawy of the annual value xxv marcs; the Church of Tywardraythe of the annual value xx*li.* iii*s.* viii*d.*; the Chapel of Saint Sampson (St. Sampson's or Golant) of the annual value x*li.* iv*s.* iii*d.*; the Church of Lanlyvery of the annual value xxi*li.* ii*s.*; the Chapel of Luxsulian of the annual value xxiii marcs v*s.* vii*d.*; the Chapel of Lostwythielle of the annual value v marcs ii½*d.*; the Church of Saint Antonius (in Meneage) of the annual

value x marcs xii½*d.*; the Church of Treneglos with the Chapel of Warbestowe of the annual value xiii*li.* xvii*s.* ¼*d.*

The said Prior with four monks lives in the Priory.

Frater Willelmus Willelmi, Prior of Minstre, holds the Church of Minstre of the annual value x marcs vii½*d.*; the Chapel of Bodiscastelle (Boscastle in Minster) of the annual value viii marcs ix½*d.*

The Abbess of Monte Ebroldi (intended for Fontevrault) also held benefices by proxy.

1374. On the 25th August a mandate is issued from Chudleigh by Bishop Brantyngham to Lord Ricardus (Holrygge) perpetual *Vicar* of the Parish Church of Brixham, ordering the sequestration of all income belonging to the *Rector* of Brixham. He is to answer, at his peril, for the care of the sequestration until he has further orders from the Bishop (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 341).

On the 25th August Bishop Brantyngham issued a mandate to Lord Edmund atte Stone, Vicar of the Church of Clistone to take charge of the sequestration of tithes, fruits, income, etc., belonging to the aforesaid church (*ibidem*, fo. 341).

On the 4th October the Bishop granted an Indulgence of twenty days to all his parishioners and others in the Diocese who shall contribute to the maintenance of the lepers and sick of the house of St. Mary Magdalene, Tottonia, for the period of one year (*ibidem*, fo. 347).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxviii. 1375. Be it known that I Iohannes Sperkewille have given, etc., to Iohannes Mathu and Willelmus Hilhay all that my tenement outside the east gate of the burg of Tottonia which is situated between the tenement of Ricardus Henr' on the west side and the tenement formerly of Thoma Frye on the east side with adjoining curtilage. I have given also to the same Iohannes and Willelmus all that share of the whole tenement which is situated outside the said gates of the east between the tenement in which Walterus Hopere lived on the west side and the tenement of Serlo Smyth on the east side with adjoining curtilage which same share of the aforesaid tenement I received by gift and will of Matill' Taton. I have given moreover to the said Iohannes and Willelmus one claw of land near Lichewille between the claw of Willelmus Mone on the one side and the apple orchard of Willelmus Frye and of his brother Iohannes on the other side. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief, etc. And I the aforesaid Iohannes Sperkewille undertake to warranty,

etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Russel; 2 Willelmus Bancomb; 3 Walterus Strete; 4 Ricardus Ballond; 5 Walterus Soppecombe then provost, and others.

Dated Tottonia on Monday next after the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary the Virgin in the forty-ninth year of the reign of King Edward III (Monday after 2nd February, 1375).

On reverse in English: "Sperkewill his grant to Mahu and Hilhay."

Appended parchment tag with mere fragments of wax adhering.

1375. King Edward III again sent a writ to Bishop Brantyngham, dated 8th May, at Westminster: in all churches to pray for the King and for the whole Realm, and specially for the safe journey of his sons, Edmund, Count of Cambridge, and John, Duke of Brittany, and the Lords accompanying them in foreign parts.

On the 26th September Bishop Brantyngham was at Totnes, but did not, according to the Register, hold an ordination, although this was his first visit as Bishop. His itinerary shows that he was at Totnes on four occasions during his episcopacy (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 892).

1376. Robert Crokere of Kingsbridge, and Joan Kene of Little Totnes, conveyed to William Sormounde of Kingsbridge, and to Mabil, his wife, a tenement on "La Knowle," lying west of the King's highway, etc., (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. v, fo. 3, Kingsbridge Deeds, by Mr. M. Davies).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 932. 1376. On 2nd July. Between Henricus Hardy and Iohanna his wife of the one part and Iohannes Sparkewell of Tottenesse and Anna his wife of the other part witnesseth that the said Henricus and Iohanna let out to farm to the said Iohannes and Anna a certain orchard (*ortum*) in Tottenesse on the west side on condition that the said Iohannes and Anna should plant apple trees as many as they can conveniently place in the said orchard.

The writing is somewhat faded. A strip cut from the parchment may possibly at one time have carried a seal.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxxxix. 1377. Take notice, etc., we Iohannes Mathu and Willelmus Hilhay of Totton have quit claimed, etc., to Iohannes Sperkewille and to Emma his wife all right, etc., which we have, etc., in all those mesuages lands and tenements which we have by gift and feofment of the said Iohannes Sperkewille in

the burg of Tottonia excluding us for ever, etc. In witness of which thing we have alternately appended our seals to this our present deed. Dated at Tottonia on the Saturday next before the festival of Saint George the Martyr in the fifty-first year of the reign of King Edward III (Saturday before 23rd April, 1377).

On reverse in English: "A releve of Mahu and Hilhay to Sperkewill."

Appended two parchment tags; to the left one affixed a brown wax seal with impress three-quarters of an inch diameter. Across the top appears the word LOVERIE; below, a word apparently of six letters, E ? ? OUL. In the centre a device with small supports on each side, enclosed in frame. The impression is too indistinct to even surmise the meaning.

1377. 12th March, at Peyngtone, the Bishop granted to the Prior and Brethren of the house of St. Mary Magdalene, Tottonia, license to celebrate service in the chapel or oratory situated within their house, for the period of two years (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 375).

30th March. The Prior of Bodmin received instructions from Bishop Brantyngham to collect the King's subsidy of three gross or twelve *denarii* from every ecclesiastical personage in all monastical houses, excepting only the four orders of Mendicant Friars. The small beneficiaries to pay one gross or four *denarii* throughout the county of Devon.

3rd May. On the death of Sir John Wyndesore, Vicar of the Parish Church of St. Mary Totenesse, John Sabyn, chaplain, was installed (at Chudleigh). Patron, the King "*racione guerre*" (true patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totnes) (*ibidem*, fo. 50).

15th July. King Richard II was crowned at Westminster. Bishop Brantyngham had left for London at the beginning of the month, and did not return to his diocese until March, 1381, as he was required by his King to resume the duties of Lord Treasurer. He had to return repeatedly to London, and was not finally released of his office until 26th August, 1390.

The interesting record exists (*Dart. Mun. Deed*, No. 937, see illustration) that this King granted an Inspeximus and Confirmation to the burg of Totnes of the Charter of King John. All trace of the originals of these two deeds is lost, as also of the subsequent Confirmation by King Henry V of the Inspeximus of King Henry IV (see under the year 1415) and of all reference to them except the copy in the Dartmouth collection. As the date assigned to John's Charter, Westminster, 6th May, 1st John, is impossible, as the King was journeying between Caen and Bonneville sur

Touques on that day, and presumably the correct date of King John's Charter is recorded in the Inspeximus by Henry VII as 10th May, 1206, it is possible that the date entered on the copy of King Henry V's Inspeximus was rather the date of Richard II's Confirmation, which would therefore be 6th May, 1378.

This possible explanation of an impossible date coincides with the fact that the first definitely recorded Mayor of Totnes, John Russell, occurs in 1377-78. The right of the town to consider itself a mayoral burg or ancient demesne of the Crown had been called in question by the case decided on the 20th October, 1364 (see page 276) in the reign of Edward III, and it seems quite feasible that an Exemplification of the Borough's rights under the Great Seal, having been then obtained, as we know, and was then, as now, in possession of the town authorities, advantage was taken of the accession of the young King Richard II to obtain, as was customary, a Confirmation or Inspeximus of King John's original Charter from the newly crowned King. This Inspeximus being the first Royal Charter granted to the town since the days of King John, would probably be the first occasion when the "Provost" would be addressed as "Mayor" by the Crown, and henceforth that dignitary, although recognised by that title in 1330 (see page 244) and confirmed in the evidence given in 1364, would, in 1378, thus first receive Royal sanction for adopting the full title. As the Inspeximus by King Richard II and the subsequent Confirmation by King Henry IV are referred to only in the Dartmouth copy of the Confirmation by King Henry V, and the next Inspeximus by King Henry VII on the 30th January, 1505, makes no reference whatever to these three Royal Confirmations, it seems most credible that in some way they were together lost or destroyed, and that Henry VII's Charter, obtained, not on his accession, but only in the twentieth year of his reign, was, in reality, a substitute for this loss, and it is questionable whether the purport of King John's Charter, as given in the Dartmouth copy, is not, perhaps, more correct than in the Confirmation by King Henry VIII, now at Totnes, the original Inspeximus by Henry VII being also unfortunately lost. The subsequent Royal writs by Edward VI, Queen Mary, Elizabeth, Charles I and Charles II are based on the above confirmation by Henry VIII, and only mention King John's Charter and the Inspeximus by Henry VII quoted therein.

As the date of the long Inspeximus of Henry VII (1505) is just at the period when, for the sake of extortion, a Royal inquisition into the titles by which estates were held was conducted by the two lawyers, Empson

and Dudley, it is probable that Totnes had to pay heavily for this declaration of its rights.

1377. 8th December. Bishop Brantyngham deputed the Abbat of Buckfast for Devon, and the Prior of Bodmin to take immediate steps to collect the two-tenths granted to the King in Convocation holden at St. Paul's on 5th December.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 933. 1377. On 27th December. I Henricus Hardyng have quit claimed to Walterus de Thorslegh and Sormunda his wife all my right in the third part of a tenement in which the aforesaid Walterus lives. And situated between the tenement formerly belonging to Iohannes Falewille on the east side and the tenement of the said Walterus on the west side of ? ychehill in Tottonia. So long as the annual rent of twelve *denarii* is paid from the date of this deed for thirty years. Clause of distraint follows. The aforesaid Henricus and Walterus have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne Austyn; 2 Thoma Bolle; 3 Galfrido Veale; 4 Iohanne Russel; 5 Willelmo Riche then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and others. Dated at Tottonia on Sunday the festival of St. John the Apostle in the week of the birth of our Lord and in the first year of King Richard II.

Appended round seal seven-eighths of an inch diameter. The circle encloses a square frame, each side with three bends. The square, standing on one point, encloses under a cross in the top corner, a shield. The stem of the cross passes down over the shield, and, bifurcating, divides the surface of the shield into three parts. In the lower part is a W, the dexter top part contains a cross, the sinister a star. Two small w's and two T's occupy the alternate spaces between the sides of the square and of the outside circle.

1378. On the resignation of Sir Peter de Bartone, Rector of Aspryngtone, John Andrew de Manfelde, priest, was installed (in London) 23rd June. Patron, the King "*racione guerre*" (true patron, the Prior of Totnes) (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 54).

On the 23rd June, at London, Bishop Brantyngham licences Sir John Andrewe, Rector of Aspryngtone, to absent himself for one year from the 5th July next. He can let out his church to any ecclesiastical personage so long as the church is attended to (*ibidem*, fo. 388).

28th June. Frater Thomas Persone, priest of the order of the Holy Trinity of the house of Hondeslowe of the diocese of London, was

collated (in London), by Bishop Brantyngham, to the perpetual Wardenship of the Hospital of the Holy Ghost of Werlande near to Tottonia.

Tot. Mun. Deed F. Thursday after 13th December, 1378.

May the present and future know that I Agatha Thorlok of Totton' daughter and coheir of Iohannes Thorlok in my girlhood have given to Iohannes atte Hele and to Mabilla his wife all my share of the whole of a tenement within the gates of Tottonia which will be received by me according to law and inheritance from my father Iohannes Thorlok and which is situated between the tenement of Margeria Schugghele on the east side and the tenement of Ricardus Ballond on the west side together with a certain annual rent of six *denarii* proceeding annually from that tenement of Ricardus Ballond which is called "la Bachaus" and which is situated between the tenement of Vincentus Hag on the east side and the tenement of Iohannes Northcote on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., by rent and service due to the capital lords. Clause of warranty. Grantor has appended seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Russel; 2 Petrus Bastard; 3 Willelmus Bancomb; 4 Walterus Thorlegh then provost; 5 Willelmus Mone (Monk), and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Thursday next after the festival of St. Lucia the Virgin in the 2nd year of King Richard II.

Appended a dark brown wax seal thirteen-sixteenths of an inch diameter with device in ornamental poised square enclosing a cross above a shield; the shield, divided into three parts, containing dexter a Maltese cross, sinister a star, and below, the letter w (see above *Dart. Mun. Deed*, No. 933).

1379.

10th June a Commission was directed to the Abbat of Torre to collect the subsidy for the King in the Archdeaconry of Totnes. The Abbat of Forde was deputed to collect in the Archdeaconry of Exeter, the Abbat of Hartland in the Archdeaconry of Barnstaple, and the Prior of Bodmin in the Archdeaconry of Cornwall.

From all Abbats, Priors, etc., whose benefices exceed 500 marcs, to pay lx*s*. each; all Abbats, Priors, etc., whose benefices are of the value of cc*li*. and over, to pay xl*s*. each; all ecclesiastics whose benefices are of the value of c*li*. and under cc*li*., to pay xxx*s*. each; all from 100 marcs and under c*li*., to pay xx*s*. each; all from xl*li*. and under 100 marcs, to pay 1 marc; all from xx*li*. and under xl*li*., to pay x*s*.; all from x*li*. and under xx*li*., to pay v*s*.; all other Curates and Beneficiaries, etc., ii*s*.

Monks, canons, nuns, etc., whose houses are of the value of 300 marcs annually and above, pay xl*d.*; monks, canons, nuns, etc., whose houses are of the value of 100 marcs up to 300 marcs, pay xx*d.*; those of the value of xl*li.* to 100 marcs, to pay xii*d.*; those below the value of xl*li.* to pay iv*d.* All advocates, procurators and notaries, xl*d.* each.

D. & C. Notes and Queries, Vol. iv, fo. 273. 1378-79.

Transcript of Clerical Subsidy Roll Exon. Dioc. No. $\frac{24}{8}$ made by Miss E. Lega-Weekes, and considered by her to be the "earliest Clerical Subsidy Roll that contains names of benefices and clergy in Exon Diocese." The earliest Roll calendared is temp. Edward II, but that is a list of benefices in the Archdeaconry of Cornwall.

Beneficiaries in the Deanery of Totton':

Iohannes Andrew, Rector of Aysprington, valued at £9 13*s.* 4*d.*, taxed 2*s.*
Walterus Gatecomb, Rector of Didysham, valued at £8, taxed 2*s.*
Walterus Colampton, Rector of Stokeflemyng, valued at £10, taxed 5*s.*
Iohannes Folkyngham, Rector of Blakemeton, valued at £6 13*s.* 4*d.*, taxed 2*s.*
Robertus Fallewille, Rector of Dupeford, valued at £6, taxed 2*s.*
Peterus Overton, Rector of Dertyngton, valued at £7, taxed 2*s.*
Willelmus Rayschlegh, Vicar of Tonnstall, valued at 7 marcs, taxed 2*s.*
Galfridus Iolyf, Vicar of Hurberton, valued at 100*s.*, taxed 2*s.*
Iohannes Thursway, Vicar of Holne, valued at 40*s.*, taxed 2*s.*
Iohannes Sabyn, Vicar of Tottenes, valued at 16*s.* 8*d.*, taxed 2*s.*
Iohannes Hykedon, Vicar of Rattru, valued at 10*s.*, taxed 2*s.*
Benedictus Ryche, Vicar of Brente, valued at 30*s.*, taxed 2*s.*
Willelmus Torre, Vicar of Denne, valued at 10*s.*, taxed 2*s.*
Iohannes Brygge, Vicar of Buckfestlegh, valued at 20*s.*, taxed 2*s.*
Nineteen chaplains are taxed at 2*s.*; seventeen clerks are taxed at 4*d.*

Priory of Totnes:

Dompnus John Bover, Prior of Totton, valued at £33 15*s.* 4*d.*, taxed 10*s.*

Other livings in which the Priory of Totnes was interested:

Ricardus Hollerugg, Vicar of Bryxham, valued at £13, taxed 5*s.*
Iohannes Horncastelle, Rector of Lodyswille, valued at £10, taxed 5*s.*

Priory of Cornworthy:

Annima Heynton, Prioress, valued at £16, taxed 5*s.*
Eight nuns, names of which are recorded, each taxed 4*d.*

The record of the Archdeaconry of Exeter is not included. It was probably on membrane $\frac{24}{8}$, which is not mentioned by Miss E. Lega-Weekes.

Tot. Mun. Deed G.

Be it known by the present that I Agatha Thorlok daughter and heir of Iohannes Thorlok have quit claimed to Iohannes atte Hele and to

Sunday after 2nd February, 1380. Mabilla his wife all actions of whatever kind from the beginning of the world. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Underhille; 2 Willelmus Bancombe; 3 Ricardus Ayssheryg, and others.

Dated at Tottonia on Sunday next after the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the third year of King Richard II.

Appended parchment tag, from which seal has been broken.

20th December. The Prior of Plympton was commissioned to collect in the Archdeaconry of Totnes a poll tax of 3 gross, levied on all ecclesiastics. The Prior of Launceston was appointed collector for the Archdeaconry of Cornwall.

It was the levy of these so-called poll taxes which caused the insurrection under Wat Tyler in June, 1381.

1381. On the 9th May Bishop Brantyngham visited Totnes for the second time, and ordained two candidates for the first tonsure: Adam Maleburghe and Robert Corbyn, an illegitimate whom the Bishop allowed (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 893).

On the 24th September, at Chudleigh, Master Roger de Chestrefelde, Rector of Ipplepen, and Master Walter Nywatone, Rector of Morchard Bishop, were appointed to correct and reform all irregularities detected during the Bishop's Visitation within the Archdeaconry of Totnes (*ibidem*, fo. 157).

About the same time Sir William Leghe and Sir Walter Wollecombe, priests, are appointed custodians of the revenue of Totnes Priory, which was vacant.

1382. Bishop Brantyngham issues a mandate (undated) to his Official of Peculiar Jurisdiction in Cornwall, to the Dean of Trygge Minor and to the perpetual Vicar of the Parish Church of St. Tethe, also to Lord Walterus Lul, chaplain, to excommunicate some "satellites of Satan" whose names are unknown, who have appropriated and applied to their own use the property of the sacred spot known as "de la Minstere" (*ibidem*, fo. 474.)

On the 17th April, Bishop Brantyngham paid a third visit to Totnes on his way from an ordination at Holbeton (*ibidem*, fo. 893).

A letter addressed to the Official of Peculiar Jurisdiction in Devon by Bishop Brantyngham, from London, contains the following injunction:

Since Lord Walterus Wollecombe, Rector of the church of Miltone Daumarle, while he lived, held various goods of the Priory of Tottonia at

the time of his death, the official is to sequestrate all the Rector's goods and hold them in custody until he receives other orders (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 212).

1382. On the 11th July, at Chudleigh, the Bishop addressed a letter to the perpetual Vicars of the churches of Brixham and Byry-pomeray, to Lord Willelmus Ambroke, chaplain, to Iohannes Raufe, also to Willelmus Redeclife. Owing to the death of Lord Iohannes Boners, Prior of Tottonia, the administration of all the possessions as well as the fruits, rents and income of the churches of Tottonia, Brixham and Clistone revert to the Bishop's care. The above-mentioned are ordered to compile a schedule of all goods and value, creditors and debtors, etc. (*ibidem*, fo. 471).

1383. 27th January. Two medieties of the tithe were granted to the King under protest. The Abbat of Forde was appointed collector for Devon.

PRIOR THOMAS SWYNEFORD.

On the death of John le Bovers (*ante* 11th July, 1382, see above) Brother Thomas Swynforde, lately a monk of St. Andrew's Priory, Northampton, was collated, by lapse, at Clyst, 18th March (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 83).

1383-4. In account rendered by William Malerbe, Hugh Walys and their fellow collectors, as to a moiety of fifteenths and tenths granted to the King by the laity in the seventh year of Richard II (1383-84) in the county of Devon the following items occur (*Old Exeter MSS.*, fo. 16):

From the tithing of Bryxham	16*s.* 4*d.*
From the tithing of Churcheton	15*s.* 2*d.*
From the hamlet of Kyngewerre	13*s.* 4*d.*
From the tithing of Alwyngton	23*s.*
From the tithing of Wollaston	12*s.* 6*d.*
From the tithing of Sour Portellemouth	14*s.*
From the tithing of Galmeton and Hywysch	13*s.* 4½*d.*
From the tithing of Thorleston	9*s.* 6*d.*
From the tithing of Lodeswille	13*s.* 4*d.*
From the tithing of Northywyssh	8*s.* 7*d.*
From the tithing of Fernehull (entered between Saghe and Lang Otorre)	7*s.*
From the tithing of Northbovy	10*s.*
From the tithing of Henok	4*s.*
From the tithing of Clyston	61*s.*

From the tithing of Bradiston (? Bradefort)	6*s.* 3*d.*
From the tithing of Stawe Seynt Marye	5*s.* 3*d.*
From the tithing of Thrisschelton	9*s.*
From the tithing of Virginistaw with Tolleslo	3*s.* 4*d.*
From the tithing of Tettecote	6*s.* 6*d.*
From the tithing of Clauton	21*s.* 8*d.*
From the tithing of Pyworthi	20*s.*
From the tithing of Bradeford	10*s.* 6*d.*

(this entry occurs between Sampford with Belston and Northecote, and possibly meant the district known to-day as Broadnymet, the "ford" being the high road from Monkokampton (Okehampton) to Crediton, which crosses the river Taw. Was it the Bradefort of the foundation charter? (see p. 10).

From the tithing of Hurberton	57*s.* 0½*d.*
From the tithing of Aysprynngton	12*s.* 6*d.*
From the tithing of Corneworth	18*s.*
From the tithing of Dodebrok	12*s.* 6*d.*
From the tithing of Churleton	31*s.* 8*d.*
From the tithing of South Pole and Cleveston	13*s.* 4*d.*
From the tithing of Portelmouth	4*s.* 7*d.*
From the manor of Stokenhamme	51*s.* 8*d.*
From the tithing of Worthele (see Urdihella, p. 13)	20*s.* 6*d.*
From the borough of Totton	£4. 3*s.* 10*d.*

In addition to the city of Exeter nineteen boroughs are enumerated.

Query? did not Richard II incorporate and grant the Mayoralty to all these, other than the three original boroughs, Totnes, Barnstaple and Lydford ancient demesnes of the Crown? The other sixteen in order of valuation are: Sotton Prior, Clist-Dertemouth, Tavistock, Toriton, Southmolton, Bediford, Plympton, Critton, Kyngisbrigge, Modbyry, Aysperton, Bradnynch, Honeton, Dodebrok, Tuverton and Okampton.

1384. 10th March. Ricardus Holrygge, Vicar of the Church of Brixham, is appointed, with the Rector of Denbury, Penitentiary in the Deanery of Ipplepene (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 519).

1391. 22nd February. The same Vicar is appointed Penitentiary, with the Rectors of Torbryan and of Peyngtone (*ibidem*, fo. 720).

1384. The whole diocese must have been disturbed by the storm raised by Archbishop William Courtenay, with the authority of Pope Urban, insisting upon visiting his Province and selecting to commence with the diocese of Exeter. Bishop Brantyngham at first, in spite of the prece-

dent established by Bishop Grandisson, who, in 1332, repelled Archbishop Mepeham at the very gate of the Cathedral Close, dutifully prepared to receive his superior, but finally resented the Archbishop's interference, as detailed in the Rev. F. C. Hingeston-Randolph's Preface to the second volume of the Register of Bishop Thomas de Brantyngham. The diocese must have been in a state of controversial war from the 3rd March until the 3rd July when a satisfactory settlement was arrived at. Meantime the Visitation of the diocese was steadily enforced by the Archbishop's Commissary, his Chancellor, Master Adam de Mottrum.

On the 19th April he visited the Deanery of Ipplepenne in the Chapel of Newton Abbat, dined with the Vicar of Brixham and spent the night at Torbrian Rectory. On Wednesday, 20th April, he held a Visitation of the Deanery of Tottonia in the parish church, and dined with the Prior, spending the night there. Thursday he was all day at Dartington Rectory. On Friday visited Corneworthe and notes that the Prioress is there, proceeding to the Rectory of Blakavetone. On Saturday, 7th May, the Commissary held a Visitation of the first part of the Deanery of Poudre in the Chapel of Lostwythiel, and dined and spent the night and the whole of the following day, Sunday, at Tywardraythe Priory.

The entertainment of Master Adam de Mottrum and his retinue was probably serious enough, but on the return of his Commissary, Archbishop William Courtenay resolved to visit more especially the Archdeaconry of Cornwall in person. It is evident from his diary that his main object was to see the monastical institutions as the following itinerary shows.

1384. Tuesday, 2nd August, to spend the night at Torre Abbey, "*if the Abbat wishes*," or at Newton on Fields (Newton super Egros).

Wednesday, 3rd August, dine and spend the night at the Priory of Tottonia.

Thursday, 4th August, dine at Uggeburghe with the Rector, and the night at Plympton Priory.

Friday, 5th August, visit Plympton Priory, dine and sleep there, dine there on Saturday, and preach in Latin.

Saturday, 6th August, proceed to Tavistock Abbey, spend the night and Sunday preaching in the vulgar tongue (*in vulgari*).

Monday, 8th August, dine at Tavistock and sleep at the Priory of S. Germans.

Tuesday, 9th August, visit the Priory, dine there and sleep at Lyskerde.

Wednesday, 10th August, on the festival of S. Lawrence, visit Tywardraythe Priory, dine and sleep there.

1384. Thursday, 11th August, dine at Tywardraythe and spend the night at Grampound (Granntpount).

Friday, 12th August, dine in the house of the Friar Preachers of Truru and sleep there.

The return journey was made by way of Bodmin Priory, Lanceston Priory, Kylkhampton Rectory, Hartland Abbey, Great Torrington Rectory, Chulmeleghe, Crediton and Exminster.

The custodians of the property of the Priory, appointed on the 11th July, 1382, seem to have misused their plenary powers, for on the 22nd April, 1384, at Clyst, Bishop Brantyngham addresses the Dean of Tottonia and the chaplains of the parish church there. The Bishop is informed that chalices, books, vestments, and other properties of the Priory of Tottonia have been unlawfully removed by Lord Willelmus Ambroke, chaplain, and Iohannes Raufe. If they do not restore the goods within ten days, they are to be summoned to appear before the Consistory Court on Wednesday, the eve of the festival of the Finding of the Holy Cross and show cause why they should not restore the property (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 533).

27th October. Bishop Brantyngham addresses a mandate to the Prior of Tottonia, to the Dean and to Lord Iohannes, the Vicar there. Certain "sons of iniquity," whose names were unknown to the Bishop, had broken into the close of Frater Thomas Persone, Warden of the Chapel or Hospital of the Holy Ghost of Werlande and had stolen therefrom his live stock. They had also entered the chapel built in honour of the Holy Ghost, and had broken the table and images placed at the altar, and, "what is terrible to relate," they had thrown in an abominable manner on the ground the sacred elements deposited in a pyx on the same altar. Sentence of the greater excommunication was to be pronounced in the Priory of Tottonia and in the parish church there, and in every church of the Deanery of Tottonia during the celebration of masses when the greater number of clergy and people were present, with the ringing of bells, cross uplifted in hand, with the lighting and extinguishing of candles, and with all other solemnity customary to be performed on such occasions. The denunciation was not to be relaxed until they received further mandates from the Bishop. And if on lawful enquiry they found any suspects, they were to be cited to appear before the Bishop's Principal Official, or in his absence the President of the Consistory Court at Exeter (*ibidem*, fo. 555).

1385. On the 14th March, in London, Bishop Brantyngham addresses a letter to King Richard informing the King that he had examined the registers of his predecessors, according to the request sent him, and found :

1. In the Register of Bishop Walterus de Stapultone [*sic*]. At Poutone in Cornwall, on the 26th February, 1313, admitted Frater Ricardus Portel, monk, to the Priory of la Mynstre, alias de Talkarne, to which he was presented by Frater Philippus, Prior of Tywardraith, acting as Procurator, together with Frater Iocellinus, Prior of Tottonia, acting on behalf of Frater Iohannes, Abbat of St. Sergius of Angers.

2. At Whitegyft, in the diocese of York (thought by Rev. Hingeston Randolph to be an error for Exeter), on the 20th July, 1323, the same Bishop Walter conferred the Priory of Talkarne, alias la Mynstre, on Frater Willelmus Bouges, monk, of St. Sergius of Angers.

3. Bishop Iohannes de Grandisson at Chuddeleghe on the 7th October 1335, conferred on Frater Gehellus le Ferorer (should be "Fertrer") monk of the order of St. Benedict, priest, the Priory of la Mynstre.

4. The same Bishop Iohannes de Grandisson, at Clyst, on the 20th September, 1341, conferred on Frater Willelmus de la Hune, monk of the Order of S. Benedict, priest, the Priory or parochial Church of Talkarne, alias de la Mynstre, vacant because the Abbat of SS. Sergius and Bachus had presented a monk notoriously unworthy.

5. On the 8th July, 1349, at Chuddeleghe, Frater Guillelmus Decimarii was admitted to the Priory of la Mynstre on the presentation of the Abbat and Convent of SS. Sergius and Bachus by Bishop Grandisson.

6. On the 12th March, 1374, at Clyst, he Bishop Brantyngham, on the death of Frater Gulielmus Decimarii, conferred the Priory on Frater Mileto Andree (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 568).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 8th May, 1386.

This indenture made at Totton' on the 8th day of May, in the ninth year of King Richard II, between Ricardus Wodelond of the one part and Ricardus Fowy on the other witnesses that the aforesaid Ricardus Wodelond transferred to the aforesaid Ricardus Fowy all that tenement in the burg of Totton' situated between the tenement of Iohannes Austyn on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Walterus Gordon on the west side. To hold the same until the festival of S. Michael next paying no rent. Meanwhile the aforesaid Ricardus Fowy shall receive from the aforesaid Ricardus Wodelond or his attorney Willelmus Cheswill 103*s.* 4*d.* on certain legal days i.e. on the day of making this indenture 40*s.*; on the festival of Pentecost 40*s.* to the aforesaid Ricardus Fowy and Iohannes Schethe and 23*s.* 4*d.* on the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary. Clause of distraint. The parties have appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Mhon then Mayor of Totton'; 2 Walterus Zouch; 3 Iohannes

Kauf; 4 Walterus Mosefen; 5 Iohannes Somer then provost, and others.

Appended tag but no seal. Document in duplicate.

Tot. Mun. Deed, 9th May, 1386.

This indenture made at Totton' 9th May in the ninth year of King Richard II between Ricardus Wodelond of the one part and Willelmus Cheswill on the other witnesses that the aforesaid Ricardus has mortgaged the whole of that tenement in the burg of Totton' situated between the tenement of Iohannes Austyn on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Ricardus Gordon on the west side for one hundred and three *solidi* and four *denarii* received from the said Willelmus on the following conditions that the said Willelmus shall receive on the festival of Pentecost four *libri* and on the festival of the Assumption twenty-three *solidi* four *denarii* otherwise the aforesaid tenement remains to the said Willelmus, etc. Clause of sale, etc. Seals are alternately appended.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Mone; 2 Willelmus Bancomb; 3 Thoma Boallegh; 4 Willelmus Helyer; 5 Iohannes Masscy, and others. Dated as above.

Appended small seal with letter D.

Hist. MSS. Commission, III Report, fo. 342.

Mr. H. T. Riley, who examined the collection of the Municipality of Totnes in 1871, mentions "Two parchment copies of Court Rolls, in Latin, fastened together and having one old seal of the borough of Totnes, attached to both." The above two deeds cannot be what Mr. Riley saw, and a further examination of the Municipal safe, through the kindness of the Mayor, Edward Windeatt Esquire, on 7th March, 1913, failed to disclose them. Mr. Riley's abstract is therefore given as follows:

post 15th July, 1386, *ante* 15th July, 1387.

Record of a fine levied in the full Court of Sir William la Zouche "among the four benches of the Guildhall" before Robert Frensshe Seneschal, John Russell Mayor, William Bredone Constable, Walter Sopcombe Clerk of the Court, William Mone and others, between John Mohun complainant, and Richard de Wodeland deforciant as to a tenement in the High Street of Totnes, near the Church of St. Mary 10th Richard II.

1386.

On the 2nd June, at Faringdon (Hants), Bishop Brantyngham issued a licence to Iohannes de Strattone, Prior of la Mynstre *alias* de Talkarne, to absent himself from the date of writing till the festival of the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin next to stay in the Monastery of Westmonasterium. He was to leave a suitable procurator to rule the Priory in his absence (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 614).

On the 20th August Bishop Thomas de Brantyngham addresses a letter to the Dean of Poudre and to the Vicar of the Parish Church of

Tywardraythe to endeavour to persuade Lord Willelmus, Prior of Tywardraythe, and to compel by law the payment of certain sums of money, according to an annexed schedule (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 623).

1386. On the 6th September a mandate is sent to Lord Willelmus Prior of Bodmin, to Master Willelmus Hendre official of the Bishop's special jurisdiction in Cornwall, as well as to the Dean of Poudre and the Vicar of Tywardraithe. They are to publicly denounce as excommunicated Willelmus, Prior of Tywardraythe, owing to his great offense in not paying the moneys until such time as he should pay to either William Hendre or the Bishop's Receiver (*ibidem*, fo. 625).

Sir Edmund Stone, Vicar of Broadclyst (Clystone), exchanged benefices with Sir Nigel Brode, Rector of Samford Brett (Somerset), who was installed (at Lambeth) 12th October, by William (de Courtenay), Archbishop of Canterbury (the See of Bath and Wells being vacant) under a Commission from the Bishop of Exeter, dated London, 11th October. Patron, the King, the temporalities of Totnes Priory being in his hands, "occasione guerre." Certificate received by the Bishop in London, 13th October (*ibidem*, fo. 97).

1388. On the 2nd July, at Clyst, the Bishop addresses the Archdeacon of Tottonia, as well as the Prior and Vicar of Tottonia, the Rector of the Church of Ayspryngtone, the Deans of Ipplepenne and Tottonia, as well as all Curates of their Deaneries, who are to diligently search for and arrest and cause to appear in the Cathedral of Exeter on the second judicial day after the festival of St. James the Apostle (25th July), the following :—

Robertus Frensche, Iohannes Gatecombe, Martinus Wodecort *alias* Drake and Iohannes Redeclyf for an assault committed upon Lord Henricus de Swynforde, monk of the Priory of Tottonia, etc., who, in the public way at Conytorre, near the Wolleburghe Wood in the parish of Wolleburghe, engaged on the business of the said Priory, was attacked, bound hands and arms, thrown to the ground and inhumanly mutilated and wounded (*ibidem*, fo. 657).

1389. On the 15th April, in the Cathedral of Exeter, sentence is pronounced on Robertus Frensche, Iohannes Gatecombe, and Martinus Wodecort *alias* Drake, for mutilating Lord Henricus Swynforde. Damages are assessed at *cli.*, and the following penance is inflicted. The aforesaid Robertus with bare head and without loin cloth and girdle (*absque capucio et zona*) and the said Iohannes and Martinus with bare feet and heads and without loin cloths and girdles are to walk before the procession in the Cathedral

on the three Sundays within the feast of Pentecost, each bearing lighted candles in their hands and shall devoutly and humbly offer the candles to the priest celebrating High Mass.

They are to do the same penance in the Parish Church of Tottonia on the festival of St. Peter in chains, and within one year from the present date they are to visit the Apostolic See to obtain absolution, and within a month after the lapse of the said year they are to return to us to show that they have done the aforesaid that we may absolve them according to the ritual of the sentence of excommunication (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 682).

1st November, 1388.

In a parliament held at Cambridge in the twelfth year of Richard II, it was ordered that two writs should be sent to every Sheriff in England; the first calling upon "the Masters and Wardens of all Gilds and Brotherhoods" to send to the King's Council in Chancery details as to the foundation, statutes and property of their Gilds and if they have any charters or letters patent they must send copies of these with their returns; the second calling upon "the Masters and Wardens and Overlookers of all the Mysteries and Crafts in the city, etc.," to send up before 2nd February, 1389, copies of all their charters and letters.

The first, perhaps, was intended for the religious fraternities maintaining altars and chapels and doubtless exercising mutual benevolence, the second was addressed more to the merchant and working Gilds.

The record of the returns which have come down to us are preserved at the Record Office, and were known as "Miscellaneous Rolls, Tower Records" (they are now classified as "Miscellanea: Bundles 38 to 46. Guild Certificates"), and consisted of three bundles, containing 549 membranes, some of which are paper, which is thought by Mr. Toulmin Smith, from its varied nature, to have been probably manufactured in England.

Only those written in English, forty-nine in all, were transcribed; among them, the only West Country returns being Bristol and Exeter (Toulmin Smith, *English Gilds*, *E.E.T.S.*). On examination in April 1913, no return for Totnes could be found among the Guild Certificates of the reign of Richard II, and it is impossible to say if it was ever sent in.

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 8. 24th April, 1389.

To all the faithful, etc., Adam de Hurburneforde greeting. Be it known that since Austyn de Tottenesse Brasyuter and Cecilia his wife hold from me certain lands and tenements in Ferlegh within the manor of Dupeforde by service of a pair of gloves annually in the xv of Easter.

Be it known that I have quit-claimed to them all my right in the above so that neither I Adam nor my heirs can exact or sell anything in future. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Henricus Noreis; 2 Philippus de Botreforde; 3 Ricardus Grepeston; 4 Robertus Wasseborne; 5 Willelmus Gibbe, and others. Dated at Dupeforde on Saturday the morrow of St. George in the 12th Richard II.

Appended tag secured by pin, bearing seal on dark brown wax with round impression, seven-eighths of an inch diameter. Central device might be a dragon or serpent pierced at two points by double-barbed spears, surmounted by a Maltese cross; below, two capital I's and a hieroglyphic. Inscription undecipherable.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxl.
1390.

Be it known, etc., that I Iohannes de Aston' have quit claimed, etc., to Iohannes Sprey of Exonia all my right which I have, etc., in all that tenement, etc., in the great town of Tottonia which I had from the gift and feofment of Dionisia who was the wife of Benedictus Berie of Tottonia granted to me the aforesaid Iohannes Aston', etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present.

Dated at Exonia on the Saturday next after the festival of St. Hillary in the thirteenth year of the reign of King Richard II (Saturday after 13th January, 1390).

Appended to parchment tag well preserved dark red wax seal with small diamond shaped impress, possibly of ring; surface merely pitted, without device or lettering.

1390.

On the 20th April Bishop Brantyngham visited Totnes for the fourth and last time, and ordained thirty-two candidates for the first tonsure, proceeding on the following day to Slapton.

On the 18th May, from Launceston, Bishop Brantyngham addressed a letter to the Dean of Poudre, and the Vicars of the Parish Churches of St. Austoli and Fawy in Cornwall, quoting the synodal constitutions that no trees are to be cut down in any churchyard, unless by the force of wind endangering or damaging the church, or unless for the purpose of repairing the chancel. They are to prohibit Lord Willelmus de la Haye, Prior of Tywardraythe, from cutting down any such trees, under threat of excommunicating him (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 699).

On the 21st June, at Clyst, Bishop Brantyngham addresses a letter to Master Iohannes Lugans, Rector of Essewater (Ashwater), and to Willelmus Hendre, Rector of Wythyel, on behalf of Lord Thomas

Jurdan, perpetual Vicar of the Parish Church of Tywardreythe. The Bishop understands that there are a large number of parishioners, but the portion of income assigned to him is uncertain and not sufficient for his support. Although a dwelling is provided for him in the Priory, owing to the difficulty of getting in and out, he is not free to exercise the duties of the cure committed to him. Since the Vicar has appealed to the Bishop to provide for him, the above-mentioned nominees are to open an enquiry by jury into the annual value of the income of the church of Tywardreythe, first questioning the Prior, Frater Willelmus, that he should be compelled to allow the Vicar a due portion (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 702).

1390-1. Penitentiaries deputed in the Archdeaconry of Tottonia, Deanery of Tottonia; Lord Thomas de Dupeforde (Diptford), Rector; Iohannes (Andrewe de Manfelde) de Ayspryngtone, Rector; Iohannes (Sabyn), Vicar of the Church of Tottonia (*ibidem*, fo. 719).

Ex. Mun. Deed, No. 999, 1393. 23rd February (16th Richard II). Henry Brokland Canon of the Cathedral and John Dogeth Chaplain, Executors of the Will of Master William Pyl late Canon and Rector of the Parish Church of Combeintynhyde to Thomas Norreys and Thomas Sergeaux. Appointment of said Thomas and Thomas Attorneys to deliver seizin to John de Copleston and Thomas Raymond of all lands, etc., in Exeter and Totnes which belonged to the aforesaid William Pyl and which are left to them to sell by the will of the said testator.

Two seals: 1, a shield, SIGILLUM HENRICI DE BROKLAND; 2, letter R.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxli. 1394. On reverse of Totnes Priory Deed cxxix, a copy of the following deed: Be it known, etc., that I Rolandus Piers have given, etc., to Martinus Bakere and Iohanna his wife my tenement in Brixham near the tenement of the same Martinus. To have and to hold, etc. Whilst paying annually two *solidi* and two services at my Court on a reasonable summons of eight days. And I undertake to warranty. In witness of which we have alternately appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Wyllelmus ?; 2 Iohannes Wyther; 3 Nicholaus Peirs; 4 Wyllelmus; 5 Nicholaus Waleis.

Dated at Brixham on Thursday after the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 17th year of the reign of King Richard II (Thursday after 2nd February, 1394).

1394. 3rd December. Bishop Brantyngham died in his manor house of Bishop's Clyst.

1395. Sunday, 20th June. Edmund de Stafford was consecrated Bishop of Exeter at Lambeth, by Archbishop William Courtenay. Dr. Oliver pays a tribute to the business capacity of this Bishop, "none of the episcopal registers before or after him is kept in a more business-like manner." On the 3rd September, 1419, he died, as the transcriber of his register truly says, "in harness," at the age of 75. The general ignorance of the clergy must have been a great stumbling-block to the inculcation of religion. This doubtless caused Bishop Stapeldon to found his college at Oxford, which was re-endowed and renamed Exeter College by Bishop Stafford.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27247. 1399. Monday before 12th March. Robert Mathu greeting. Although John Andru parson of the church of Aysshspryngton and Richard Rondel chaplain are held to me by a writing obligatory in 20 marks, I grant nevertheless for myself heirs and executors that should the above bound persons their heirs and assigns during the life of me Robert and Elen my wife and the longer life pay to the chief lords of that fee for the tenement and garden in which I lately lived in Great Tottoneyse the rents and services therefor due and at their costs keep the same in repair then the bond shall be held for naught otherwise to stand in full force.

Dated at Tottonia Monday before the festival of St. Gregory in the 22nd year of the reign of King Richard II. Sealed by the said Robert, John and Richard.

Tot. Mun. Deed, D. Friday after 25th March, 1399. May the present and future know that I Robertus Mareys have given, etc., to Ricardus Rondell chaplain and to Thomas Stracohefarde all that close of land, etc., in Great Totteneys without the west gate lying between the orchard formerly belonging to Willelmus Bancombe on the east side and the King's way which leads from the burg of Totteneys towards Foleton on the south side and the close of the heirs of Willelmus Tokere on the west side and the close of the heirs of Iohannes Parys on the north side. To have and to hold, etc., by rents and services due to the capital lords of that fee. Clause of warranty. Grantor appended seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Cosyn Mayor of Totton'; 2 Iohannes Mann; 3 Iohannes Kyng junior; 4 Walterus Zouche; 5 Iohannes Worthy, then provost of the burg of Totteneys, and many others. Dated at Totteneys on Friday after the festival of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 22nd year of the reign of King Richard II.

Appended red wax seal, letter H in octagon, probably impression of ring.

Tot. Mun. Deed, H. 4th April, 1399.

May the future and present know that we Henricus Austyn called Brasuter and Claricia my wife have given to Iohannes Boly of Bukfastlegh all that our tenement, etc.. in Great Totteneyse within the gates situated between the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Hodell on the east side and the high street (*summum vicum*) of the burg of Totteneyse on the south side and the tenement which the same Iohannes holds of the Abbat and Convent of Bukfast on the west side and the moat of the castle of Totteneyse on the north side. We give also to the same Iohannes all that our garden in Great Totteneyse without the west gate in Happeryswyllestrete which garden lies in length between the garden of Iohannes Irysshe and Elena his wife on the west side and the garden of the heirs of Iohannes Burgher on the east side. To have and to hold, etc., by rents and services due to the capital lords of that fee. Clause of warranty. Grantors append their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Cosyn Mayor of Totteneyse; 2 Iohannes Mann; 3 Walterus Souche; 4 Iohannes Somer; 5 Iohannes atte Worthy then provost of the burg of Totteneyse, and many others. Dated at Totteneyse on the 4th April in 22nd year of King Richard II.

Two tags appended; from the second the seal has been broken; to the first the upper part of a red seal about one inch oval still adheres, containing figure of Virgin with Child on left knee under a branched canopy.

D. & C. Notes and Queries, Vol. iv, fo. 127. 1399.

Thomas Arundell, Archbishop of Canterbury, at the request of Henry IV, enacted that a day bell was to be rung in the morning as well as the curfew at night as a reminder to the people on waking to recite prayers. The day bell is rung at Totnes every morning at six o'clock in summer, followed by the ringing of the day of the month. In winter (from nine weeks before Christmas to St. Valentine's Day) this is done at seven o'clock. Mr. Edward Windeatt considers that this custom has been pursued uninterruptedly since the fourteenth century.

9th December John Maslyn, monk of the Monastery of St. Mary and St. Peter "*super Dynam*," on the death of William de la Haye, was instituted Prior of Trewerdrayth (Tywardreath). Patron then being King Henry IV (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 216).

The mother-house at Angers had ceased to exercise the right of presentation.

Mon. Dioc. Exon., fo. 201. 1400.

(Extract from the Rymeri Foedera, tom. viii, pp. 101-6. 1st Henry IV).

11th February. Letters patent issued by King Henry IV, with reference to the alien priories, record firstly:—that many such houses, founded by his progenitors and the noblemen of his kingdom exist in England and Wales:—that during the wars between England and France they were seized into the hand of his grandfather King Edward (III) thus becoming dilapidated or destroyed, divine religion ceasing to be observed, etc. Wishing, to the honour of the Deity and of Holy Church, to establish them once more "by our special grace and with the assent of our council in parliament assembled we relinquish possession," etc. The Priory of Totton of the diocese of Exeter in which Priory Frater Thomas Swynford, formerly monk of the Monastery of Saint Andrew Northampton of the Cluniac order in the diocese of Lincoln, lives as Prior, admitted, instituted and inducted as the letters of admission, etc., in our Chancellory show and to the same Prior Thomas Swynford is hereby restored. To have and to hold, etc., rendering annually what the Priory was accustomed to pay. On condition that the Prior and his successors find and support approximately the same number of monks, chaplains, secular and other Anglican ministers as was customary from the original foundation. And they shall pay tithes, fiftieths and other subsidies together with the rest of our realm. And they shall maintain all undertakings and works of piety incumbent upon them from the foundation. They are absolved from all payments imposed by reason of the wars, etc. Witnessed by the King at Westmonasterium 11th day February.

19th March. Similar letters patent were issued by King Henry IV to Frater Iohannes Mastyn, monk, priest of the order of St. Benedict from the Monastery of the Blessed Mary of St. Petrus *super Dyvam* in the diocese of Sagiensis duly instituted Prior of Trewerdrayth.

No mention is made of Minster Priory.

1400.

13th May. Mandate was issued by Bishop Stafford for the visitation of Totnes Priory (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 351).

13th May. Bishop Edmund Stafford held an ordination at Tottonia the first visit during his episcopate (*ibidem*, fo. 425).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxlii. 1401.

May it be known, etc., I Andreus Laygge of Exonia have quit claimed, etc., to Willelmus Bittecombe and Iohannes Bittecombe all debt and transgression up to the date of the present, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present.

1401. Dated the seventh day of January in the second year of the reign of King Henry the fourth (7th January, 1401).

To strip cut from deed a small red seal is attached, showing central letters I H C.

8th April. On the death of Frater Thomas Persoun, Hugh Heynys, Frater of the Monastery of Houndyslowe of the Order of the Holy Trinity and of the redemption of prisoners, was collated to the custody of the Chapel of the Holy Spirit of Warlond near the town of Tottonia (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 215.)

Tot. Pr. Deed cxliii. 1401. Be it known, etc., that we Iohannes Falewylle and Agnes my wife have given, etc., to Iohannes Ioon all that our tenement with adjoining curtilage in Great Totteneyse situated between the tenement in which Iohannes Coon now lives on the east side and the tenement of Iohannes Irysshe and Elena his wife on the west side and the Castelwallys on the south side and the high street of Totteneyse on the north side. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief for rent and service due. And we the aforesaid Iohannes Falewylle and Agnes my wife undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing we have appended our seals to the present.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus Souche Mayor of Totteneyse; 2 Iohannes Moun (or Monn); 3 Iohannes Somer; 4 Willelmus Ryder; 5 Walterus Hotot, and many others.

Dated at Totteneyse on Monday next after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary the Virgin in the second year of the reign of King Henry the fourth (Monday after 8th September, 1401.)

Appended two parchment tags; to first only adhere the remains of seal of red wax; lower part of seal appears to have dropped in some liquid.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxliv. 1401. To all the faithful, etc., Iohannes Joan of Tutteneyse greeting, etc. Be it known that I have appointed in my place Willelmus Ryder and Simon Mersshe to receive in my name seisin from Iohannes Falewylle and Agneta his wife of a tenement with curtilage adjoining in Great Totteneyse situated between the tenement in which Iohannes Coon now lives on the east side and the tenement of Iohannes Irysshe and Elena his wife on the west side as is contained in a certain charter. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present.

1401. Dated at Totteneyse on Tuesday next after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary the Virgin. In the second year of the reign of King Henry the fourth (Tuesday after 8th September, 1401).

On reverse in English: "A lre of atturney for taking of possession."

Appended to parchment tag a seal in black wax, three-quarters of an inch diameter. Centre, large H, preceded by feathered stroke. Lettering round reads NALIDL.

1402. 3rd February. John Masseline, Prior of Tywardreath, obtained licence of non-residence till Michaelmas, 1402 (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 359).

16th June. The revenues of Minster Priory were sequestrated by Bishop Stafford, because Prior John Stratton had allowed the buildings to become ruinous, not caring to restore them (*ibidem*, fo. 257).

30th September. Parliament, at Westminster, decided that all alien priories, except conventual priories, with their lands, tenements, rents, advowsons, etc., should be resumed into the King's hands.

1403. 4th January. Thomas Swynford, Prior of Totnes, showed before the King's Council that his priory was of conventual foundation, and was therefore exempt from seizure. The power of nomination rested with the King, the patronage with the Lord of the manor (see the succession of Prior John Southam).

Blackball Collectanea, No. 9. 17th April, 1403. May the present and future know that I Robertus Miderhille and Cecilia my wife have given, etc., to Iohannes Coleton all rents and services of Rogerus Dienlegh, Petrus Taillour and Robertus Lygha and of their heirs issuing from mesuages, lands, etc., which they hold of us in Ferleghe likewise all rents and services of Iohannes Huchon' *alias* Wynchelse, etc., from our tenements in Smalebrok. To have and to hold, etc. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de la Pomeray clericus; 2 Edwardus Pomeray; 3 Iohannes Bolhay; 4 Robertus Frensshe; 5 Iohannes Lyf; 6 Robertus Waysshe-borne; 7 Willelmus Rydere, and many others.

Dated at Ferlegh on the 17th April in the 4th King Henry IV.

Appended two seals; on first tag a red wax seal, impression half an inch diameter, showing interlaced garland enclosing small cinquefoil; on second tag a circle formed of five clusters, enclosing the small letters I H C.

Tot. Court Roll, M31. Single membrane, twenty-one inches by eight inches, with attached strip of two membranes, forty-two inches by three inches. A small parchment label reads: "In the 7th Henry IV." No. 3 (in Arabic figure).

Tuesday after 18th October, 1405.

Totteneyse. Law Court of the Mayor held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 7th Henry IV.

Twelve for the King (xii *pro Rege*). Thomas Payn, Robertus Strete, Iohannes Kyng, Walterus Redecleff, Iohannes Come, Willelmus Rogger, Simon Mersshe, Iohannes Forde, Iohannes Herberd, Iohannes Swayn, Iohannes Somer, Iohannes Ywan.

Officials:

Wardens of St. Mary. Robertus Osanne, Iohannes Fonde.

Wardens of the Holy Cross. Simon Webber, Iohannes Ayllemer.

Wardens of St. Leonard. Ricardus Boteler, Petrus Mayn.

Wardens of the bridge. Iohannes Howele, Bernard Gambaud.

Wardens of St. Peter. Iohannes Bykeby, Nicholaus Gybbe.

Wardens of Magdalene [*sic*]. Robertus Swayn, Iohannes Iurdan.

Wardens of Lychewylle. Hugo Helwode, Walterus Nyatt, Robertus Mareys (crossed out).

Wardens of the swine without the west gate. Thomas Deny, Michael Booler.

Wardens of swine within the gates. Ricardus Forbaur, Walterus Hopere.

Wardens of the swine without the west gate (*sic*, probably one is intended for east). Walterus Lytelto(n), Iohannes Swet.

They say that Bernardus Gambaud should pay to the Mayor and Community 40*d*. because he defamed (*vilipendebat*) the Mayor in the King's way without any redemption.

They say that Iohannes Bykeby should pay 10*s*. because he was present at (*ocopavit*) the Gild of Merchants after being expelled by the Community. In pity at first on the petition of the Mayor he was reinstated. If he refused he will be expelled entirely from the Gild.

They say that for signs they should have a fine eight days before showing; the Mayor and Community should be paid 6*d*. or as it is decided by a jury of twelve in certain past years.

To this Court comes Henricus Hurt and is admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton'. Sureties, Robertus Miderhille and Iohannes Lester.

Iohanna Straynour, 8*d*.; Michael Salmon, Iohannes Turk, 4*d*.; Walterus Hoper, 4*d*.; Iohannes Undell, 2*d*.; Willelmus Dorenge, 4*d*.; Agnes Lucas, Nicholaus Lambard, Iohannes Salmon, 4*d*.; Thomas Iaan, Iohannes Lucas (30*d*. because he is entered), Thomas Goneton, 6*d*.; Walterus Nycol, 12*d*.; Willelmus Ferrour, 4*d*; Iohannes Thomas, 6*d*.

To this Court Iohannes Lovenetorre comes and is entered in the Gild. Sureties, Thomas Payn and Walterus Redecleffe and undertakes to pay the fine on three days in equal portions at the festival of the Purification, at Pentecost, and at the festival of St. Michael. Double fordede.

To this Court Iohannes Lucas comes and is entered in the Gild. Sureties, Robertus Strete and Willelmus Mederose.

Ricardus Herberd is admitted to the Gild. Sureties, Willelmus Ryder and Robertus Miderhille.

1405-6. Roll of Free Assize in the time of Willelmus Empyngham Mayor in the 7th Henry IV.

Iohannes Hole, 2*d.*; Iohannes Comyng, 3*d.*; Henricus atte Wade, 2*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 4*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Martyn, 5*d.*; Walterus Cok, 1*d.*; Ricardus Herberd, 1*d*; Robertus Miderhille, 5*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 1*d*; Iohannes Herberd, 3*d.*; Iohannes Come, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Bruwer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Symond, 5*d.*; Iohannes Bykebiry, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Dine, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Gore, 4*d.*; Iohannes Pykard, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Cotell, ½*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Boon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Howeles, 2*d.*; Thomas Payn, 5*d.*; Iohannes Lovenetorre, 1*d.*; Iohannes Harry, 2*d.*; Walterus Lytelou, 2*d.*; Iohan Smyth, ½*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 2½*d.*; Thomas Tynke, 1*d.*; Petrus Hannok, 4*d.*; Walterus Thoryslegh, 2*d.*; David Floyt, 1*d.*; Agnes Davy, 1*d.*; Ricardus Boteter, 1½*d.*; Luca Sebryth, 1*d.* Total 6*s.* 8½*d.* Collector, Nicholaus Cornyser.

Iohannes Raff, 1*d.*; Iohannes le Cauff, 1*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 3*d.*; Thomas Sompter, 1*d.*; Willelmus Ryar, 2*d.*; Iohannes Irysshe, 1*d.*; Robertus Strete, 2*d.*; Willam Scuttyng, 1*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 2*d.*; Margareta Amery, ½*d.*; Walterus Hotoo, 3*d.*; Walterus Redecleffe, 5*d.*; Mabill' May, ½*d.*; Iohannes Helstyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, 1*d.*; Sabina Broomlegh, ½*d.*; Willelmus Mederose, 1*d.*; Thomas Stretheforde, 3*d.*; Iohannes Mohonn, 5*d.*; Thomas Peryngham, 2*d.*; Iohannes Lester, 3*d.*; Hugo Helwode, 3*d.*; Elena Toker, ½*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 2*d.*; Walterus South, 5*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 3*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 3*d.*; Iohannes Mayn, 2*d.*; Simon Mersshe, 1*d*; Ricardus Clerk, ½*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 2½*d*; Iohannes Forde Tayllour, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 4*d.*; Robertus Kyng, ½*d.*; Walterus Tolk, ½*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 1*d.*; Stephanus Bellegh, 1½*d.*; Petrus Mayn, 3*d.*; Iuliana Bancombe, ½*d.*; Regulus Grega, 1*d.*; Iohannes Cok, 3*d.*; Iohannes Ywan, 3*d.*; Alisia Boby, ½*d.*; Iohannes Bukeyete, 2*d.*; Willelmus atte Oke, 1*d.*; Regulus Settecote, 1*d.*; Iuliana Grenefelde, ½*d.*; Iohannes Somer, 4*d.*; Agatha Bastard, 2*d.*; Willelmus

Chiswylle, 2*d.*; Arnold Greffyn, 1*d.*; Rogerus Stavy, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Stevyng, 4*d.*; Gervasius Frensshe, 3*d.*; Willelmus Rydon, 3*d.*; Ricardus Samer, 3*d.*; Iohannes Radecleff, 3*d.* Total 9*s.* 7½*d.* Collector, Willelmus Lester.

Thomas Peny, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 5*d.*; Claricia Bovy, 1*d.*; Iohan Hyam, 1*d.*; Henricus Gooy, 2*d.*; Walterus Baker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Come, 2*d.*; Walterus Serle, 1*d.*; Willelmus Rygger, 2*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 2*d.*; Thomas Serle, 2*d.*; Walterus Rook (?), 1*d.*; Alicia Howell, 1*d.*; Alicia Rowell (?), ½*d.*

Some twelve more names occur, too indistinct to decipher with certainty.

Endorsed on Totnes Priory Deed. v is the following:—

1406. Enrolled in the memoranda of the Exchequer that is to say in the Record of the Easter Term in the 7th year of King Henry IV on behalf of the Remembrancer of the King namely in Roll xxi in a certain case concerning Thoma Swynford Prior of the within mentioned Priory.

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 10. 8th August, 1406.

Be it known that I Henricus Austyn have quit-claimed, etc., to Iohannes Coleton de Totton' all my right in five *solidatis* rent in Ferlegh and five *solidatis* rent in Smalebrok and in all services, etc. Clause of warranty. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Wolhay; 2 Henricus Noreys; 3 Robertus Waysshebornn; 4 Ricardus Aysshe; 5 Thoma Penillys; 6 Robertus Midderhill; 7 Iohannes Cove, and many others.

Dated on the 8th August in the 7th King Henry IV.

Appended a seal, possibly the impression of a signet ring; ✠ surmounted by a coronet.

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 11, 24th August, 1406.

Be it known that I Stephanus Lester have quit-claimed to Iohannes Coleton de Totton all my right in five *solidatis* rent in Ferlegh and in five *solidatis* rent in Smalebrok and in all services, etc. To have and to hold, etc. Clause of warranty. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus Midderhill; 2 Iohannes Cove; 3 Stephanus Peris; 4 Iohannes Wolhay; 5 Robertus Waysshebornn; 6 Thoma Bernehows; 7 Stephanus Bellegh, and many others.

Dated on 24th August in the 7th Henry IV.

Appended red wax seal about eleven-sixteenths of an inch diameter. Impression is a crude representation of lamb and flag device, the head

turned backwards. Inscription reads S. LUCAS; a few smaller letters illegible occur on the opposite side.

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 12. 24th August, **1406.**

Be it known that I Walterus Toryslegh of Dertmoth Clyfton have quit claimed to Iohannes Colleton of Totteneys all my right in five *solidatis* of rent in Ferlegh and in five *solidatis* rent in Smalebrok and in services, etc. To have and to hold, etc. Clause of warranty. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus Mydderhill; 2 Iohannes Cove; 3 Iohannes Come; 4 Stephanus Peris; 5 Iohannes Wolhay; 6 Robertus Waysshebom; 7 Thoma Bernehous; 8 Stephanus Bellegh, and many others.

Dated 24th August in the 7th Henry IV.

Appended dark red wax seal with the oval impression of a signet ring showing merchant's mark somewhat blurred.

John Fardel, Vicar of Buckfastleigh, left by his will, dated 12th September, to the Lepers' Houses at Totnes, Plympton, Tavistock, Barnstaple and Exeter, 12*d.* each, and to the bridge at Totnes, to the Jews' bridge (*ponti Judeorum*) and to the Dart bridge 12*d*, each (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 385).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxlv. **1406.**

To all the faithful, etc., greeting. Be it known that arising lately between Thomas Swyneford, Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place and Lord Iohannes Camme, Rector of the church of Churleton' of the diocese of Exeter, disagreement concerning a certain annual pension of sixteen *solidos* owing to the said Prior and Convent from the church of Churleton on the fifth day of November in the seventh year of the reign of King Henry the fourth the said Iohannes, Rector of Churleton, before Walterus Reynel, Edmund Bosozon, Iohannes Sonys and Thomas Codemore and many others asserted and recognised the said sixteen *solidi* to be due to the said Prior and Convent and that they were paid every year from his church of Churleton which the same Iohannes then paid and promised faithfully to pay every succeeding year. Considering however the expense and damage which at the time of this letter the said Iohannes has sustained and at the request of the devout men whose names are mentioned above we the aforesaid Prior and Convent have conceded to the said Iohannes Camme during the time he himself remains Rector of the church of Churleton that he pay us annually ten *solidi* legal money on the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Maria without

further delay. And we undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing the said Prior and Convent, their common seal, as well as the said Iohannes, Rector of Churleton, his seal, are appended. Dated the year and place above mentioned (5th November, 1406).

Appended four parchment tags. Seal from the second is missing. 1, small impression, as of ring, bust of head wearing peaked cap; moustache and pointed beard facing dexter; 3, impress, also probably of ring, with letters I H C; 4, spread hawk or eagle, head facing sinister.

1406. Elizabeth Lercedekne, in her widowhood, by will dated at Haccombe, 12th December, left to the Leper's House at Totnes, 3*s.* 4*d.* (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 388).

14th December. Prior John Maslyn having died, John Rogger was installed Prior of Tywardreath, in the patronage of Henry, Prince of Wales (*ibidem*, fo. 216). In Bishop Stafford's Register it is recorded that the Prior (John Rogers) was in arrear of procurations due to the Pope's collector.

1407. 3rd March, on the death of John Sabyn, John Dolbiry, chaplain, was installed Vicar of Tottonia (*ibidem*, fo. 215),

PRIOR JOHN SOUTHAM.

Thomas Swynforde resigned 24th March, 1407. The King (on account of the war with France) presents John Southam, monk of the said Priory on the 15th May (Pat. 8, Henry IV, p. 2), and he was installed on the 11th June, 1407. Patron, William la Zouche de Haryngworth (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 215).

1408. Archdeaconry of Totnes. On the death of John Lydeford, senior, William Hunden was collated, 21st January (*ibidem*, fo. 215).

16th June. Reginald Welleslegh, clerk, was installed Rector of Talkarn (Minster), in the patronage of Henry, Prince of Wales (*ibidem*, fo. 188). He appears to have been the first Rector of this parish succeeding John de Stratton, the last Prior of this alien Priory (Maclean).

7th August. Reginald Welleslegh, Rector, received dispensation to study at Oxford for two years.

D. & C. Notes and Queries, Vol iv, fo. 53.

In an account of the income and outgoings of the Chapter of Exeter, intended to serve as guide to each quarter's balance sheet, and general reminder as to expenses and payments due, occurs the following:—

"To the Prior of Trewordraith for the tithe of a certain man of Seynt Mari-churche next Torre Abbot's—4*s.*"

Tot. Pr. Deed cxlvi. 1408.

To all the faithful, etc., Willelmus Martyn de Totteneyse greeting. Be it known that I have appointed in my place Nicholaus Gybbe *alias* Cornisere and Henricus Carpynter to deliver in my name to Iohannes Coleton and Henricus Hurt of Totteneyse full and peaceful seisin of all my property, lands, tenements, rents, reversions, and services in Great Totteneyse and in Little Totteneyse and also of my property of all rents and services of Thomas Morys and Fina his wife from a certain tenement in Great Totteneyse situated near the tenement formerly of Robertus Bon likewise with the reversion of ownership of the same tenement when it falls due and also twelve *denarii* annual rent proceeding from the lands and tenements of Nicholaus Horne of Kyngesteynton which properties formerly I possessed together with Walterus Redeclyffe by gift and feofment of Robertus Strete of Totteneyse, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by :

1 Willelmus Ryder then Mayor of the burg of Totteneyse; 2 Iohannes Symon; 3 Thomas Payn; 4 Iohannes Somer; 5 Iohannes Coleton then provost of the burg of Tottonia, and many others.

Dated at Tottonia on Thursday next after the festival of the translation of Saint Thomas the Martyr in the ninth year of the reign of King Henry the fourth (Thursday after 7th July, 1408).

On reverse in English: "Martin his lert of atturney to . . . for delivent of properties on to Coleton and Hurt."

Appended to parchment tag a well preserved round black seal, seven-eighths of an inch diameter. Within intertwined square a small shield bearing lion rampant facing sinister.

Hist. MSS. Commission, III Report, fo. 342. *post* 30th Sept., 1408. *ante* 30th Sept., 1409.

Copy of a Court Roll, recorded by Mr. H. T. Riley in 1871 (see page 296).

Record of a fine "in the full Court of the borough of Totteneyse" among the four benches of the Guildhall there before William Ryder Mayor, John Newhale "Seneschal of the said Court and Constable of the Castle of Totteneyse," Philip Bastard, Walter Radeclef, John Symon, Henry Austyn provost and others between John Hillyng of Hurberneforde toker complainant and Stephen Bottysforde and Dionysia his wife deforciants as to a mesuage and curtilage situated within the gates of the borough of Totteneyse "between the tenement wherein Henry Hurt dwells on the east, and the tenement which John Ywan holds of the wardens of the fabric of St. Mary's on the west and the tenement of the heirs of John Cosyn and the High Street of the borough on the north side and the Bastewallys (Mr. Riley transcribes this Eastewallys, other deeds

suggest the first letter was misread) on the south side: 10th Henry IV."

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27248, 1409.

21st January. Geoffrey Lynyvov Prior and Keeper of the House of Lepers of St. Mary Magdalene of Totton and the brothers and sisters of the said place lease to John Kyng of Totton' a close opposite to "our said house" for the term of his life at the yearly rent of 3 *solidi*. Rendering therefore all rent and service due to the lord of the fief. Clause for distraint. The Prior brethren and sisters have hereto set their seal and for further security and at their request the seal of the Mayoralty of the burg of Totton.

Witnessed by:

1 William Ryder Mayor of Totnes; 2 Robert Frenshe; 3 Thomas Payn; 4 Walter Redecleff; 5 Henry Austyn provost of the burg of Totton, and others. Dated at Tottonia 21st January 10th year of the reign of King Henry IV.

29th March. Robert Hood, chaplain, on the resignation of Thomas Jordan, was appointed Vicar of Tywardreath, in the patronage of King Henry IV (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 216).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxlvii. 1409.

To all, etc., Iohannes Southum Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place greeting. We bring to your notice by the present that we, etc., by unanimous assent have given, etc., to Willelmus Peak and Isota his wife of Brixham a tenement of ours and half a ferling of land adjoining in Southdon which Walterus Quyk previously held. To have and to hold, etc., from the festival of St. Michael the Archangel, 1409, for the term of twenty four years paying yearly five *solidi* sterling at the four principal terms. And also doing yearly one service at our Court at Upton on reasonable summons of eight days as others our free tenants do. And we the aforesaid Prior, etc., undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing we the aforesaid Willelmus and Isota his wife have appended our seals. To the other part remaining the property of the aforesaid Willelmus and Isota we have caused our common seal to be appended.

Dated in our chapter house of Tottonia on the festival and in the year of the Lord above recorded (29th September, 1409).

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Ferers; 2 Iohannes Cole; 3 Simon Cosby; 4 Willelmus Cole; 5 Willelmus de Southdon, and many others. Napton (possibly name of scribe).

Appended to the same parchment tag, divided, two well preserved seals. The left is on pale red, the right on dark red wax. Both are possibly

impressions of signet rings. The left imprint appears upside down; a serrated bar with terminals, between which a trefoil—the letters (a D inverted) ꝑ ꝑ; the whole in a square. The right seal, I H C in a circle.

William Cole, about 1380, held Nethway-on-the-Hill in the parish of Brixham.

John Cole succeeded, whose daughter married Sir John Hody (probably a descendant of the "de Hoda" family. Totnes Priory Deeds iv, xi, xxi, xxvi.)

This Sir John Hody was Lord Chief Justice of England, 13th April, 1440.

John Cole of Nethway represented the County of Devon in Parliament in 1417 and 1423 (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xviii, fo. 204).

1410. The Priory is one year in arrear of the procurations due to the Pope's collector (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 351).

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,249. 1410. 9th August. John Falewylle grants to Isabella widow of Richard Bruere a mesuage and curtilage in Great Totteneyse which lie between the tenement of John Come and Agatha his wife on the east side and the tenement of John Symon and Joan his wife on the west side and the High Street on the north. Rendering therefor to the chief lord the rents and services due and rendering annually to John Falewylle and his heirs 4 *solidi*. Clause of distraint follows. Isabella during her lifetime to keep the same in repair at her own cost. With remainder after Isabella's death to John Pycard and Isabella his wife and the heirs of John at a yearly rent of 4 *solidi*, etc. Clause of warranty follows. Sealed by the grantor and grantee also by John and Isabella Pycard.

Witnessed by:

1 William Ryder Mayor of Totnes; 2 Thomas Payn; 3 William Gore; 4 John Symon: 5 John Come provost of the burg of Totton', and many others. Dated at Tottonia 9th August the 11th year of King Henry IV.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxlviii. 1411. Be it known, etc., that we Willelmus Boghier and Ricardus Halhay have transferred to Nichola who was the wife of Ricardus Hughe all our lands and tenements in the burg of Briggeton Pomeray with a parcel of land and a curtilage adjoining in Stoncombe near Totteneys all which formerly we possessed by gift and feofment of the aforesaid Ricardus Hughe. To have, etc., all the above, etc., to the aforementioned Nichola for the term of her life. To hold subject to the lords of those fiefs for rent and service due.

And after the death of the aforesaid Nichola we wish, etc., that all the aforesaid property may return to Iohannes Hughe son of the aforesaid Ricardus and Nichola and his heirs. To hold, etc. And if it happens that Iohannes Hughe dies without heirs all the aforesaid properties may revert to the lawful heirs of the aforesaid Ricardus. To hold, etc. In witness of which thing the seals of the aforesaid Willelmus and Ricardus as well as the seal of the aforesaid Nichola are alternately appended to the present written indenture.

Witnessed by:

1 Thoma Austyn; 2 Willelmus Gyldene; 3 Bartholomeus Harry; 4 Iohannes Willy; 5 Iohannes Lovenetorre then provost of Briggeton Pomeray, and many others.

Dated at Briggeton Pomeray on the last day but one of March in the eleventh year of King Henry the fourth (30th March, 1411).

Appended ot parchment tags two well preserved seals.

The first represents probably the Virgin and Child under a canopy of branches; below is a small shield carrying a bend charged with three undecipherable charges. The impression is the same as the first seal on Deed cl, and although inscription round is difficult to decipher it is probably the common seal of Totnes Priory at this period. On the rounded reverse of the sealing wax are three indented impressions which, perhaps, were the marks of Willelmus and Ricardus if they possessed no seals of their own.

The second seal is a well preserved deep impression possibly made by a large signet ring. The device is a heart in which stands a staff, culminating in a cross at top; on either side of staff the letters I to dexter, B to sinister. Immediately above the letters, on dexter, loop of P inverted attached to staff; on sinister, above the letter B, three inverted chevrons. In this case, also, the letters and signs are religious symbols or merchants' marks, and have no reference to the signatories of deed, as the initial letters do not correspond. The design does not compare with any one of the sixty-five Devonshire merchants' marks recorded by Mr. H. Michael Whitley (*Trans. D. Asssc.*, Vol. xliv, fo. 536).

The above deed is an instance of the term "burg" applied to what could have been little more than a village—Briggeton Pomeray. The mention of the provost signifies a form of local government. The manor of Bridgetown, until the passing of the "Municipal Corporation Act of 1835," was part of the parish of Berry Pomeroy.

Stoncombe. The Rev. Oswald J. Reichel writes:—The fee lists know two Stancombes, one held of the honour of Totten and called Stancombe Crespin; the other held of the honour of Plymton and called Stancombe Prior. There is a Stancombe in Harberton and a Stancombe in Sherford. The Stancombe in Sherford was known as Stancombe Dawney (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol vi, fo. 110 and 131).

If the "Stoncombe" of the above deed was in Harberton, it is curious that it is not thus specified.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxlix. 1411.

This indenture made between Iohannes Southam Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the one part and Lord Iohannes Wynterbourne Rector of the parish church of Churleton in the diocese of Exonia on the other witnesses that the said Lord Iohannes Wynterbourne Rector undertakes payment to the said Prior and Convent of a certain annual pension of sixteen *solidi* from the church of Churleton. By evidence of ancient charters it appears that the said Prior, etc., conceded six *solidi* to the aforesaid Iohannes Wynterbourne from the aforesaid sixteen *solidi* so long as the said Iohannes remained Rector of Churleton. So that the said Iohannes should pay ten *solidi* annually on the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary. In witness of which thing the common seal of the said Prior and Convent as well as the seal of the said Iohannes Rector of the church of Churleton together with the seal of the faithful witnesses subscribed for greater assurance are alternately appended.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Bozon; 2 Willelmus Ryder Mayor of Tottonia; 3 Iohannes Andrewe Rector of the church of Ayshpryngton; 4 and Iohannes Bernehous.

Dated at Tottonia on the twentieth day of April in the eleventh year of the reign of King Henry the fourth (20th April, 1411).

Appended three parchment tags; fragment of seal left only on the first.

Tot. Pr. Deed cl.

This indenture made between Iohannes Southam Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place on the one part and Lord Iohannes Wynturborne Rector of the parish church of Churleton, etc. (An exact duplicate of the previous deed, cxlix). The cuts in parchment do not coincide, nor is the writing identical.

Appended are three parchment tags:

1, carries impression, on yellow wax, of the same seal as on Deed cxlviii, but not quite so clear; evidently the common seal of the Priory.

2, a seal in white wax, originally about five-eighths of an inch diameter, showing a large letter J, evidently the seal of Iohannes Wynturborne, Rector of Churleton.

3, from this tag all trace of wax has disappeared; the parchment slip itself is cut from an old deed of the fourteenth year of Edward the second (1320), dated at Tottonia, and carries the names, as witnesses, of:

1 Willelmus de Pyn; 2 Willelmus Purs; 3 Iohannes Peat.

1411. 7th May. Bishop Edmund Stafford held an ordination at Tottonia; the second and last occasion during his episcopate (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 425).

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 13, 1411. Be it known that I Iohannes Coleton have given, etc., to Iohannes Berhows, Thoma Coleton, Willelmus Coleton, and Robertus Coleton all the rents and services of Rogerus Benelegh, Petrus Taylor, and Robertus Lygha proceeding from all mesuages, lands, etc., which they hold of me in Ferlegh also with the rents and services of Iohannes Huchyn *alias* Wynchelse from all mesuages, etc., which he holds of me in Smalebrok.

To have and to hold of the capital lords of that fee. Clause of warranty. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes de la Pomeray clericus; 2 Edwardus Pomeray; 3 Robertus Miderhille; 4 Iohannes Grendon; 5 Willelmus Rydere; 6 Iohannes Cove, and many others.

Dated at Ferlegh on 10th June in the 12th King Henry IV.

Appended seal in dark brown wax, with impression of merchant's mark: a staff, bearing at summit cross, below which, on dexter, semicircle, on sinister, three inverted chevrons, transfixing lower a St. Andrew's cross, and below that a circle.

1412. John Prestecote of Prestecote, by will dated 25th January, left for the repair of the bridge at Totnes, 3*s.* 4*d.*, also to the Lazar houses at Exeter, Totnes, Plympton and Honiton, 3*s.* 4*d.* each. It is noteworthy that, although he left legacies to many religious houses, including Torre Abbey and Cornworthy Priory, Totnes Priory did not benefit. The bridges at Teignbridge and Culmstock are remembered, but no bridge on the Dart other than Totnes.

Tot. Pr. Deed cli. This indenture witnesses that when contention, etc., occurred between Iohannes Prior of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place claiming

25th January, 1412. the tithes of increase from a certain piece of land in Lovenetorre which is within the bounds of the parish church of Biry pomeray and Michael Prior of Merton and the Convent of the same place by right of their church of Merton owning the rectory and parish church of Biry pomeray asserting that they had inherited the said claimed portion of tithe, agreement was established as follows that as long as Michael Prior of Merton and his successors should render yearly to the aforesaid Iohannes Prior of Tottonia on the Assumption of the Blessed Mary in the church of Merton before the sixth hour a pair of white gloves the whole of the aforesaid tithe shall be the right of the said Michael Prior of Merton and his successors. If this is neglected then the said Iohannes, Prior of Tottonia can take possession of the tithe. In witness of which the common seals of the Priories are affixed to the duplicate indenture.

Dated xxv day of January in the thirteenth year of the reign of King Henry the fourth.

On reverse in Latin: "Writing concerning a tithe in Love Torre in the parish of Berrypomeroye." In English: "An indenture of a grannt made by Michael Prior of Merton and the Convent there unto Iohannes Prior of Tottonia, etc., of a pair of gloves in consideration of a relaxing made by the said Iohannes and his Convent in a porcion of land called Lovene torre within the bounds and limits of the parisshe of Berrypomeroye."

Although the usual incision is made in deed for appending parchment tag, from appearance it was never added.

In the records of Merton Priory there is no mention of this transaction with the Prior of Tottonia, which was probably never brought about, as Prior Michael Kympton (twenty-third Prior of Merton, 1403-1412) died on 20th October, 1412.

On folio 184 of the interesting records of Merton Priory, published by Major Alfred Heales, we learn that, in 1298, Prior Edmund of Merton remitted to Henry de la Pomeraye all the lands in Berye (erroneously stated to be Berry-Pomeroye, *Dorsetshire*, which should read Devonshire) "except the patronage of the Church of Berye and four acres there." Possibly these four acres represent the "certain piece of land in Lovenetorre." It would be interesting to ascertain the reason why those particular four acres were originally excepted.

They are defined in a case heard at Westminster on the 16th February, 1268, between Henry de la Pomeraye, claimant, and Gilbert, Prior of Merton, deforciant as to ten pounds' worth of land in La Worthy (supposed to mean Berry Pomeroy village). The Prior acknowledged

the land which Merton Priory held in Berry Pomeroy by lease from Ralph, Abbat of St. Mary du Val, Normandy (founded by Gosselin de la Pommeraye, 1155), to be the right of the said Henry, and relinquished same except the advowson of the church of Bery and four acres of land *which lie between the road which is called Estwellewey and the road which is called Trustede Wey*, as they are enclosed with a new ditch. Henry granted to the Prior the said four acres of land, the manor of Kanunteign (Canonteign, not Canon Keyne, *Merton Priory Records*, fo. 184), the advowsons of the churches of Ayscumb (Ashcombe to which Merton Priory presented in 1280, *Reg. Bp. Bronescombe*, fo. 108), Clystewyk (Clyst St. George), St. Lawrence Exeter and Bery (Berry Pomeroy) in Devon, also of the Church of Aure (Oare) in Somerset, and of the Priory of Tregony in Cornwall (*Feet of Fines*, C. 256).

Loventor was held temp. Domesday by Radulfus de Pomaria under Iuhellus, and in the Survey the land is described as two acres of wood, two acres of meadow and five acres of pasture. It was successively in the families of Arundel and Damarel (E. Windeatt, *Notes on Berry Pomeroy*). About the year 1351 Sir Walter de Wodelonde acquired the estate with Bryggetone-Pomeray and Cockington, and granted a reversion on the death of his widow, Katerina, to Ricardus Penleen chaplain, Symon Bryta and William Banys (*Cart. Thorre Abb.*, fo. 96*a*). Ricardus Penleen bequeathed his third share to eight others by deed dated Monday before the festival of St. John the Baptist (24th June), 1371 (*ibidem*), at which date Katerina, widow of Sir Walter de Wodelonde, was still living, and probably died about the year 1375.

1413. 15th September. John Matheu, chaplain, was installed Vicar of Clyston *alias* Brodeclyst. On this occasion the Prior and Convent of Totnes are recorded as patron, a commission of enquiry having previously been ordered on the 8th August (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 151).

1419. 6th July. "Mathu" exchanged with Geoffrey Barger, the Rector of Alphington. Patron, Sir John Huntyndon (*ibidem*).

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 14, 1413. May the present and future know that I Rogerus Bynlegh of Ferlegh have given, etc., to Robertus Robard and Thoma atte Stone of Morlegh all those mesuages lands and tenements rents, etc., which Iohanna Coleton held to the end of her life by name of dowry in Ferlegh. To have and to hold, etc., of the capital lords of that fee. Clause of warranty. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus atte Wode; 2 Ricardus Hert; 3 Willelmus Lovet; 4 Willelmus Tayllour; 5 Iohannes Benlegh, and others.

Dated at Ferlegh on Sunday after the festival of St. Michael in the 1st year of King Henry V.

Appended small red seal, five-eighths of an inch diameter, showing what is probably intended for a squirrel.

Tot. Court Roll M32.

Single membrane, twenty-six inches by seven and a half inches, with attached strip of two membranes, thirty-eight inches by four inches. A small parchment label reads "In the 1st year Henry V. No. 4" (in Arabic figure).

Tuesday before 18th October, 1413.

Totteneyse.

Law Court of Thomas Payn, Mayor, held on Tuesday before the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 1st year Henry V.

Twelve for the King (jurymen). Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes Symon "merser," Iohannes Somer, Iohannes Parys, Iohannes Perkyn, Walterus Nicoll, Willelmus Hannok, Iohannes Symon taillor, Iohannes Forde, Thomas Straccleford, Walterus Baker, Petrus Pytard.

Wardens of the store of the Blessed Mary. Iohannes Forde, Iohannes Symon the tailor.

Wardens of the Holy Cross. Iohannes Irysshe, Willelmus Soper.

Wardens of St. Leonard. Iohannes Norys, Simon Webber.

Wardens of the bridge. Iohannes Haules, Iohannes Pycard.

Wardens of St. Peter. Nicholaus Gybbe, Thomas Boveton.

Wardens of St. Mary Magdalene. Iohannes Iordayn, Robertus Swayn.

Wardens of Lechewille. David Bythewater, Iohannes Hamelyn.

Wardens of swine without the east gate. Iohannes Schathe, Laurencius Brasuter.

Wardens of swine within the gates. Rogerus Bonde, Ricardus Forbes.

Wardens of swine without the west gate. Thomas Roberd, Hugo Gelan.

Thursday, 21st December, 1413.

Totteneys. Court held on Thursday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 1st year Henry V.

Iohannes Roberd, 12*d.*; Iohannes Hughe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmyth, 8*d.*; Thomas Harper, 2*d.*; Thomas Neulyn, 8*d.*; Ricardus Mayn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Salman tayllor, 8*d.*; Agneta Lucas, 4*d.*; Iohanna Colyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Thoms tayllor, 6*d.*; Iohannes Streche, 4*d.*; Ricnrdus Geffry, 4*d.*; David Bythewater, 4*d.*; Laurencius Brasuter, 4*d.*; Iohannes Gerard, 1*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 2*d.*; Thomas Boon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Wolcome, 1*d.*; Willelmus Colyn, 2*d.*

To this Court comes Thomas Moulysch and is admitted in the Gild of Merchants of Totteneys, etc. Sureties, Iohannes Symon "merser" and Iohannes Come. To pay on the festival of the Epiphany, 3*s.* 4*d.*, at Easter, 3*s.* 4*d.*, at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 3*s.* 4*d.* and on St. Michael's, 3*s.* 4*d.*

Iohannes Hamelyn is admitted on the death of Willelmus Hamelyn his father and gives as fine according to the custom of the burg of Totteneys. Sureties, Willelmus Lester and Iohannes Swayn.

Twelve for the King (jurymen). Iohannes Come, Iohannes Coleton, Iohannes Hakewill, Petrus Mayon, Walterus Nicoll, Iohannes Forde, Bernardus Gambaud, Willelmus Lester, Rogerus Stacy, Iohannes Ayllemer, Willelmus Bythewater, Iohannes Pycard.

Tuesday after 13th January, 1414.

Totteneyse. Law Court of the Mayor held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Hillary in the 1st Henry V.

Twelve for the King (jurymen). Iohannes Come, Petrus Mayon, Willelmus Hannok, Iohannes Herberd, Iohannes Somer, Walterus Nicoll, Walterus Serle, Willelmus Rogger, Iohannes Perkyn, Thomas Stracche-ford, Iohannes Boon, Nicholaus Gybbe.

Who say that all practices as to fines ought to be minded heedfully just as they were drawn up for a great lapse of time.

They say that the Receiver of the ville of Tottonia ought to levy from Iohannes Frankleyn and his sureties 13*s.* 4*d.*

They say that no burgher of the ville of Tottonia ought to plead as a burgher anywhere outside the burg of Totton under a penalty of 40*s.*

To this Court comes Iohannes Thomas "tayllor" and is admitted to the Gild. Sureties, Robertus Wastell, and Nicholaus Gybbe, 13*s.* 4*d.*

On reverse of membrane:

Tuesday after 23rd April, 1414.

Tottoneyss. Law Court of Thoma Payn Mayor held on Tuesday after the festival of St. George in the 2nd year of Henry V.

The death of Henry IV, from which date the reign of Henry V may be said to commence, occurred on the 20th March, 1413. The above date was therefore in the year 1414, and from this roll we learn that Thomas Payn was Mayor on 18th October, 1413, and also 23rd April, 1414.

Twelve for the King (jurymen). Henricus Hurt, Iohannes Come, Henricus Austyn, Iohannes Perkyn, Iohannes Coleton, Iohannes Sebrygt, Petrus Mayon, Iohannes Forde, Willelmus Rogger, Iohannes Parys, Walterus Nicoll, Petrus Pytard.

To this Court comes Thomas Veale and is admitted to the Guld. Sureties, Walterus Redeclyff and Iohannes Symon mersser and gives

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2*s.* 6*d.* fine with wine and the remainder of the fine is excused by the Mayor and Community on account of respect for Galfridus his father formerly Mayor of the same ville. And be it known that the actual relief (of payment) is made because Galfridus his elder brother is a chaplain and does not claim the freedom of his father otherwise the same Thomas could not claim the said freedom belonging to the said Galfridus his brother and chaplain.

The following entry is crossed out and written over "error because in another roll."

21st December. 1414.

Totteneyse. Court of the Mayor held there on Friday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 2nd Henry V.

To this Court comes Iohannes Harry Smyth and is admitted to the Guld and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties Iohannes Lovenetorre and Walterus Nicoll and has until the festival of St. Michael the Archangel next to pay.

Totteneyse. Roll of free assize in the time of Thoma Payn, Mayor, in the 1st year of King Henry V.

Thomas Moulysch, 2½*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 3½*d.*; Petrus de Cerys, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 2½*d.*; Agatha Cook, ½*d.*; Iohannes Symon "draper" [*sic*], 3*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 4*d.*; Ricardus Herberd, ½*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Come, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Herberd, 3*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Symon "merser," 5*d*; Henricus Austyn, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Dove, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Bykebery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hanlegh, 2½*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 2*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Boon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Lovenetorre, 3*d.*; Thomas Payn, 5*d.*: Iohannes Harry, 2*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 1*d.*; Thomas Goveton, 1½*d.*; Thomas Tynke, 1*d.*; Walterus Thorslegh, 2*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 3½*d.*; Thomas Veale (added subsequently, without payment). Total 6*s.* 5½*d.* Collector, Iohannes Swet.

Thomas le Cauff, ½*d.*; Willelmus Ryder, 4*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 3½*d.*; Thomas Sompter, 1*d.*; Iohannes Norys, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 4*d.*; Willelmus Donstorre, 1*d.*; Willelmus Gore, 4*d.*; Elena Irysshe, 2*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 2*d.*; Iohannes Boon, 1½*d.*; Mabilla Mascy, ½*d.*; Iohannes Mayon, ½*d.*; Iohannes Redeclyff, 4½*d.*; Walterus Redeclyff, 5*d.*; Iohannes Helston, ½*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, 1*d.*; Iohannes Dybell, 1*d.*; Sabina Beaulegh, ½*d.*; Willelmus Raulyn "miller" [*sic*], 1½*d.*; Willelmus Mederose, ½*d.*; Thomas Straccheforde, 1*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 5*d.*; Iohannes Keys, ½*d.*; Hugo Heanwode, 1*d.*; Robertus Midderhille, 2*d.*; Elena Toker (blank); Iohannes Iwon, 4*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 3*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 4*d*; Simon Mersshe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 4*d.*;

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Walterus Tolk, 4*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzs, 2*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 1½*d.*; Petrus Mayon 3½*d.*; Iohannes Somer, 3½*d.*; Alicia Boly, ½*d.*; Iohannes Bokyete, 1*d.*; Vincencius Hag, 1*d.*; Iohannes Franklayn, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Stonyng, 4*d.*; Gervasius Frensshe, 6*d.*; Willelmus Rydon, 5*d.*; Iohannes Saunder, 5*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 1*d.*; Willelmus Cheswill, 1*d.*; Willelmus London, ½*d.*; Regulus Grega, 1*d.*; Thomas Boly, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 2*d.* Total 9*s.* 7*d.* Collector, Iohannes Boon.

Iohannes Kyng, 5*d*; Willelmus Lester, 3½*d.*; Michelus Hydon, ½*d.*; Walterus Baker, 1*d.*; Walterus Rop, 1½*d.*; Alicia Rondell, ½*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 2½*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 2*d.*; Thomas Morys, ½*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 4*d.*; Walterus Rogger, 2*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 2*d.*; Walterus Serle, 2*d.*; Henricus Serle, 1*d.*; Patricius Mark, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 2*d.*; Parva Tottonia, 6*d.*; Boghedon, 3*d.*; Bronneburgh, 3*d.*; Tybecombe, 3*d.* Total 4*s.* 1½*d.* Collector, Iohannes Hamelyn.

1411. On the 30th January admission to the Rectory of Loddiswell is prohibited, pending the settlement of dispute between the King and Sir William la Zouche, knt.

On the 18th March this prohibition was suspended.

On the 26th March Peter Holdych, chaplain, was installed under the patronage of Robert Lovell.

1413. On the 19th October Bishop Stafford, at Clyst, drew up an arrangement for the appropriation of the Rectory of Loddiswell to the College of Slapton.

On the 22nd October, having resigned as Rector of Loddiswell on the appropriation to Slapton College, Peter Holdych was installed as first Vicar, the patrons then being the Rector, etc., of the said College.

Careful arrangement was made by Bishop Stafford as to the rights and "onera" of the new Vicar, as distinct from the College, and, among other matters, the Vicar was held responsible for, and was to pay the tenths to the King or any other, and a pension of 6*s.* 8*d.* paid by the said church from antient times to the Prior and Convent of Totnes, etc., etc. (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 245).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 935. 1413.

On 24th December. I Willelmus Mederose called Helyere of Totteneys have given to Nicholaus Gybbe Cornysere of Totteneys and Iohanna his wife my tenement with curtilage adjoining in Great Totteneys within the gates there: situated between the tenement of Iohannes Redeclyffe on the east side and the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn on the west side. To have and

to hold, etc. Rendering service due, etc. Clause of warranty follows. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Thoma Payn Mayor of Totteneys; 2 Willelmo Ryder; 3 Waltero Redeclyffe; 4 Iohanne Symon mercer; 5 Iohanne Kyng, and many others. Dated at Totteneys on Sunday the eve of the Nativity of the Lord in the 1st year of the reign of King Henry V.

Appended a broken part of the same seal as appended to Dartmouth Municipal Deed 934.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 936. 1413.

Friday, 29th December. I Iohannes Mederose son and heir of Willelmus Mederose called Helyere of Totteneys quit claim to Nicholaus Gybbe Cornysere of Totteneys and to Iohanna his wife my right in a tenement with adjoining curtilage in Great Totteneys within the gates there situated between the tenement of Iohannes Redeclyffe on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., by service due to the lord of the fief. Clause of warranty follows. I append my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Thoma Payn, Mayor of Totteneys; 2 Willelmo Ryder; 3 Waltero Redeclyff; 4 Iohanne Lovenetorre; 5 Iohanne Sebryth, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Friday on the festival of St. Thomas of Canterbury Archbishop and Martyr in the 1st year of the reign of King Henry V.

Appended three fragments of an oval seal, about one and a quarter inches long by three quarters of an inch wide. Central triple device girded with band. Inscription, from several letters left, probably read S. IOHANNIS DE MEDEROSE.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 934. 1413

On 30th December. We Nicholaus Gybbe Cornysere of Totteneys and Iohanna his wife bequeath to Willelmus Mederose called Helyere of Totteneys our solar with free entrance and exit to same in the front part of our tenement in Great Totteneys likewise with free entrance and exit to our spring and yard there for fetching water and for his use. Which tenement is situated between the tenement of Iohannes Redeclyff on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., for the term of his life. Rendering annually one *denarium* at the festival of St. Michael the Archangel. Clause of warranty follows. Both parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Thoma Payn Mayor of Totteneys; 2 Waltero Radeclyff; 3 Willelmo Ryder; Thoma Strettheforde; 5 Iohanne Kyng, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Saturday the eve of St. Silvester in the 1st year of the reign of King Henry V.

The seal appended is a remarkably clear impression as compared with so many of the others. The design certainly suggests a monastical origin, is slightly oval, measuring nearly one inch by thirteen-sixteenths of an inch, and is similar to that given by Dr. Oliver in Monasticon Dioecesis Exoniensis as the seal of Buckland Abbey. The Virgin and Child are represented seated under an ornamental canopy; below, a small shield with bend, the charge being too indistinct to make a suggestion as to what is intended; the lettering of inscription appears to be SIONISDENUS UNOT?NOIGDELAND*WUGR*.

Although opportunity has not allowed of comparison, this seal is probably the same as appended to Totnes Priory Deeds cl and cxlviii.

Tot. Assess. Roll M35b.

Three long assessment rolls, five inches wide, which Mr. Riley records (*Hist. MSS. Commission*, III Report, fo. 345) were annexed to M35. This contains, perhaps, an early instance of servants being included in taxation.

Wednesday before 14th February, 1414.

Roll of the half of one fifteenth in the time of Thomas Payn Mayor granted to the Lord King in the last Parliament and collected on Wednesday before the festival of St. Valentine in the 1st Henry V.

Thomas Lucas, 1*d.*; Galfridus Bolle, 2*d.*; Iohannes Frank, 2*d.*; Iohannes Skytemore, 2*d.*; Iohanna Batyn, 1*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 16*d.*; Petrus Gascun, 3*d.*; Thomas Moulisch, 10*d.*; Iohannes Salman tayllor, 8*d.*; Iohannes Gerard, 4*d.*; Philippus Masson, 1*d.*; Agneta Lucas, 4*d.*; Ricardus Flaccher, 1*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 5*d.*; Iohannes Symon tayllor, 8*d.*; *his servant*, 1*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 18*d.*; Petrus Saveray, 4*d.*; Agatha Cook, 1*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 3*d.*; Thomas Harper, 1*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 4*d.*; Iohannes Come, 8*d.*; Iohannes Herberd, 10*d.*; Iohannes Schathe, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 1*d.*; Alisia, ½*d.*; Iohannes Mathu, 6*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 8*d.*; Iohannes Symon merser, 2*s.* 4*d.*; Henricus Austyn, 14*d.*; Ricardus Dove, 4*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 3*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 8*d.*; Petronilla his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Bykeber, 5*d.*; Iohannes Roberd, 1*d.*; Iohannes Haules, 6*d.*; Iohannes Wolcome, 2*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 12*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 12*d.*; Ricardus Boon, 5*d.*; Emelote the chaplain, 1*d.*; Morys Gerard, 2*d.*; Iohannes Perkyn, 8*d.*; Iohanna Colyn, 1*d.*; Thomas Payn, 3*s.*; Iohannes his servant, 1*d.*; Simon Webber, 8*d.*; Colyn his servant, 1*d.*; Michel his servant, 1*d.*;

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Thomas Goneton, 4*d.*; Avicia Rondell, ½*d.*; Ricardus Row, 4*d.*; Guillelmus Carpenter, 4*d.*; Robertus Osanne, 14*d.*; Iohannes Harry, 8*d.*; Alicia Cole, 1*d.*; Willelmus Carpenter, 2*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 2*d.*; Laurencius Brasuter, 4*d.*; Thomas Tynke, 1*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 14*d.*; the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn, 7*d.*; Walterus Thorslegh, 6*d.*; Agneta Pemy, 1*d.* Assessors, Henricus Hurt and Willelmus Hannok. Collectors, Willelmus Soper and Petrus Pytard. Total 30*s.* 9*d.*

Second membrane:

Thomas Cauff, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hille, 2*d.*; Willelmus Ryder, 2*s.*; Cecilia his servant, 2*d.*; Iohannes Vyan, (? Yvan), 1*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 12*d.*; Iohannes Norys, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Symon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Joon, 16*d.*; Willelmus Donstor, 1*d.*; Willelmus Gore, 20*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh tayllor, 2*d.*; Iohannes Chipton, 2*s.* 2*d.*; Elena Irysshe and Iohannes Irysshe, 6*d.*; Sabina Beaulegh, 1*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 5*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 16*d.*; Ricardus Forbor, 2*d.*; Mabilla Mascy, 1*d.*; Laurencius Goldsmyth, 1*d.*; Iohannes Goldsmyth, 1*d.*; Walterus Redeclyff, 22*d.*; Iohanna his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Boon, 6*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 4*d.*; Iohannes Redeclyff, 14*d.*; Iohannes Dybell, 2*d*; Iohannes Roberd tayllor, 3*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 18*d.*; Willelmus Colyn, 1*d.*; Robertus Miderhille, 8*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 18*d.*; Hugo Heavwode, 2*d.*; Iohannes Lacche, 1*d.*; Iohannes Ywen, 12*d.*; Lucia his servant, 1*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 10*d.*; Simon Mersshe, 8*d.*; Katerina his servant, 1*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 8*d.*; Thomas Straccheforde, 8*d.*; Willelmus Raulyn, 4*d.*; Willelmus Leche, 10*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzt, 10*d.*; Iohannes Frankleyn, 14*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 16*d.*; Matilda his servant, 1*d.*; Katerina his servant, 1*d*; Thomas Sompter, 2*d.*; Agneta Kyng, 1*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 4*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 6*d.*; Regulus Grygge, 2*d.*; Stephanus Beallegh, 4*d.*; Petrus Mayon, 12*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, 2*d.*; Iohannes his son, 1*d.*; Thomas Neulyn, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hughe, 2*d.*; Mabilla Reble, 1*d.*; Rogerus Bonde, 2*d.*; Vincencius Hag, 3*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 3*d.*; Iohannes Somer, 12*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 6*d.*; Iohannes Waryn, 4*d.*; Ricardus Tayllor, 6*d.*; Henricus Carpenter, 1*d.*; Henricus Cheswill, 1*d.*; Willelmus Cheswill, 6*d.*; Iohannes Dimdell, 1*d.*; Willelmus Heher, 1*d.*

Within the gates. Assessors, Iohannes Coleton and Robertus Wastell. Collectors, Ricardus Iakeman and Iohannes Ayllemer. Total, 36*s.* 3*d.*

Third membrane:

Without the west gate. Iohannes Robert webber, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 2*s.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Krasuter, 3*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 12*d.*; Iohanna his servant, 1*d.*; Robertus Swayn, 4*d.*; Stephanus Lame, 1*d.*;

Tot. Assess. Roll, M35b, contd.

Iohannes Schryche, 4*d.*; Claricia Bon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Forde merser, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hatter, 2*d.*; Thomas Morys, 1*d.*; Henricus Marsshel, 1*d.*; Walterus Baker, 4*d.*; Willelmus Leriman, 1*d.*; Willelmus Rogger, 10*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmith, 8*d.*; Willelmus his servant, 2*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 6*d.*; Laurencius (?); Thomas, 2*d.*; Walterus Mertyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn (crossed out); Iohannes Kenerlet webber, 4*d.*; Pascow his servant, 1*d.*; Thomas Bon (? indistinct), 2*d.*; Patricius Masc, 6*d.*; Henricus Serle, 1*d.*; Willelmus Roche, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, 2*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 8*d.*; Iohannes Greyhod, 1*d.*; Iohannes Barkwode, 1*d.*; Agneta his servant, 1*d.*; Walterus R(?), 2*d.*; Henricus Sturtyng, 2*d.*; Alicia Rendell, 1*d.*; Thoma Roberd, 5*d.*; Willelmus Marc(ow ?), 1*d.*; Iohannes Blanch, 3*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 12*d.*; Thomas his servant. 1*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 2*d.*; the servant of Walterus Nicoll, 1*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 4*d.*; David Bythewater, 6*d.*; Hugo Gelyn, 3*d.*; Robertus Marys, 1*d.*; Anna (?) Parys, 1*d.*; Iohannes Iordayn, 3*d.*: Thoma Baker, 4*d.*; Margeria Attelake, 6*d.*; Mattheus Gybbe, 4*d.*; Parva Totton', 15*d.*; Ricardus Brouse, (blank); Boghedon, 16*d.*; Bronneburgh, 16*d.*; Ricardus Hicok, 2*d.*; Adam Brounyng, 4*d.*; Ricardus Pynho, 2*d.*; Walterus Gogyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Henricus Symon, 1*d.*; Ricardus Lago, 1*d.*

Assessors, Iohannes Har(?) and Rogerus Stacy. Collectors, Patricius Mark and Iohannes Blanch.

End of third membrane of first roll.

Second roll:

1414-15.

Totteneyse. Roll of free assize in the time of Willelmus Ryder Mayor in the 2nd year of Henry V.

Thomas Moulysch, 2½*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 4½*d*; Petrus de Cerys, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 4*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 2½*d.*; Agatha Cook, ½*d.*; Iohannes Simon draper [*sic*], 3*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 4½*d.*; Ricardus Herberd, 1*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 1*d.*; Iohannes Come, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Herberd, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Symon merser, 5*d.*; Henricus Austyn, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Dove, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 3*d.*; Iohannes Bykebery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh, 2½*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 2*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 3½*d.*; Dionisius Veale, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lovenetorre, 3*d.*; Thomas Veale, 3*d.*; Iohannes Harry, 2½*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 1*d.*; Thomas Goneton, 2*d.*; Thomas Tynke, ½*d.*; Walterus Thorslegh, 2*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 3½*d.*

Total 6*s.* 5½*d.* Collector, Iohannes Pytard.

Thomas le Cauff, ½*d*; Willelmus Ryder, 4*d*; Iohannes Swayn, 3½*d.*; Thomas Sompter, 1*d.*; Iohannes Norys, 2*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 4*d.*;

Tot. Assess. Roll, M35b, contd.

Willelmus Donstorre, 1*d.*; Willelmus Gore (crossed out); Elena Irysshe, 2½*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 2*d.*; Iohannes Boon, 2*d.*; Mabilla Mascy, ½*d.*; Iohannes Mayon, ½*d.*; Iohannes Redeclyff, 4½*d.*; Walterus Redeclyff, 5*d.*; Iohannes Helston, ½*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, ½*d.*; Iohannes Dybell, 1½*d.*; Sabina Beaulegh, ½*d.* Sureties, Patricius Mark and Regulus Grigg; Willelmus Raulyn miller [*sic*], 1½*d.*; Willelmus Medrose, ½*d.*; Thomas Straccheforde, 1*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 5*d.*; Iohannes Keys, ½*d.*; Hugo Heavwode (crossed out, "*mort*" written over); Robertus Miderhille, 2½*d.*; Elena Tonker (crossed out, "*mort*"); Iohannes Iwon, 4*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 3*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 4*d.*; Simon Mersshe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 4*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 4*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzt, 2*d.*; Iohannes Forde tayllor, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 1½*d.*; Petrus Mayon, 3½*d.*; Cecilia Somer, 2½*d.*; Alicia Boly, ½*d.*; Iohannes Bokyete, 1*d.*; Vincencius Hag, 1*d.*; Iohannes Frankleyn (crossed out); Iohannes Stonyng, 3*d.*; Gervasius Frensshe, 6*d.*; Willelmus Rydon, 5*d.*; Ricardus Saunder, 5*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 1*d*; Willelmus Cheswill, 1*d.*

End of first membrane.

Willelmus London, ½*d.*; Regulus Grega, 1*d.*; Thomas Boly, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 2½*d.*; Thomas Peryham, 3*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 2*d.*

Total 9*s.* 6*d.* Collector, Iohannes Thomas.

Iohannes Kyng, 5*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 4*d.*; Walterus Baker, 2*d.*; Walterus Rop, 1½*d.*; Alicia Rondell, ½*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 2½*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 2*d.*; Thomas Morys, ½*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 4½*d.*; Willelmus Rogger, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmyth, 2*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 1½*d.*; Walterus Serle, 2*d.*; Henricus Serle, 1*d.*; Patricius Mark, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 2*d.*; Parva Totton, 6*d.*; Boghedon, 3*d.*; Bronneburgh, 3*d.*; Tybecomb, 3*d.*

Total 4*s.* 4*d.* Collector, Thomas Roberd.

End of second membrane of second roll.

Crosses are written before many names, but as two distinct cases of death are mentioned it has not, perhaps, that signification.

Third roll:

Roll of one fifteenth in the time of Willelmus Ryder, Mayor, granted in the last Parliament on Monday after the festival of the Holy Trinity in the 4th Henry V.

1416.

Thomas Lucas, 2*d.*; Galfridus Bolle, 2*d.*; Iohannes Frank, 5*d.*; Walterus Hoper, 3*d.*; Iohannes Ianenys masson [*sic*], 2*d.*; Iohannes Skytemore, 4*d.*; Petrus Saveray, 6*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 2*s.* 4*d.*; Petrus de Cerys, 6*d.*; Ricardus Flaccher, 4*d.*; Iohannes Gerard, 10*d.*; Thomas

Tot.Assess.Roll, M35b, contd.

Moulysch, 8*d.*; Iohannes Salman tayllor, 18*d.*; Agneta Lucas, 8*d.*; Iohannes Symon taillor, 18*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 10*d.*; the servant of Iohannes Symon, 1*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 3*s.* 4*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Agatha Cook, 2*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 8*d.*; Thomas Harper, 1*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 10*d.*; Iohannes Come, 18*d.*; Iohannes Herberd, 16*d.*; Iohannes Schathill, 6*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 1*d.*; Michaell [*sic*] Garvese, 1*d.*; Avicia Rendell, 2*d.* (crossed out); Iohannes Matheu, 14*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 20*d.*; Iohannes Symon merser, 4*s.*; Henricus Austyn, 2*s.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Ricardus Dobe, 4*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 12*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 18*d.*; his three servants, 3*d.*; Walterus Lygghe, 20*d.*; two servants, 2*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 3*d.*; Willelmus Cor, 6*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh, 12*d.*; Iohannes Wolcome, 2*d.*; Iohannes Cavel, 2*d.*; Iohannes Renet milward, 2*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 20*d.*; Mauricius Gerard, 8*d.*; Iohannes Roberd, 2*d.*; Iohannes Perkyn, 22*d.*; Iohanna Colyn, 1*d.*; Thomas Veale, 2*s.* 10*d.*; his servant, 2*d.*; Henricus Carpenter, 8*d.*; Simon Webber, 16*d.*; Colyn his servant, 4*d.*; Michael his servant, 2*d.*; Thomas Goneton, 16*d.*; Dionisius Veale, 1*d.*; Ricardus Row, 9*d.*; Guillelmus Carpenter, 7*d.*; Robertus Osanne, 20*d.*; Iohannes Harry, 2*s.*; Iohannes Masson; 1*d.*; Iohannes Lucas junior, 3*d.*; Alicia Cole, 2*d.*; Willelmus Carpenter junior, 5*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 5*d.*; Laurencius Brasuter, 8*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 2*s.* 4*d.*; Thomas Tynke (blank); the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn, 20*d.*; Walterus Thorslegh, 12*d.*; Iohannes Gambaud, 4*d.*; Iohannes Lake, 12*d.*; Iohannes Gambaud crokker, 1*d.*; Elena Bray, 1*d.*

Total 60*s.* 9*d.* Assessors, Henricus Hurt and Iohannes Symon tayllor. Collectors, Stephanus Piers and Vincencius Herberd.

Commencement of second membrane of third roll:

Within the gates. Thomas Cauff, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hille, 4*d.*; Willelmus Ryder, 4*s.*; Henricus his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 22*d.*; Iohannes Norys, 8*d.*; Iohanna Symon, 4*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Willelmus Dunstorre, 2*d.*; Willelmus Gove, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Ricardus Gove, 5*d.*: Robertus Howeles tayllor, 8*d.*; Iohannes Chipton, 3*s.*; Elena Irysshe and Iohannes her son, 12*d.*; Sabina Beaulegh, 3*d.*; Isolda her daughter, 1*d.*; Petrus Kyng, 4*d.*; Alicia Halghewylle, 4*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 8*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 2*s.*; Ricardus Forbour, 6*d.*; Mabilla Macy, 4*d.*; Walterus Redeclyff, 4*s.*; Walterus Goldsmyth, 2*d.*; Iohannes Boon, 16*d.*; Iohannes Thoma, 16*d.*; Iohannes Redeclyff, 3*s.*; Iohannes Beret, 3*d.*; Robertus Sadeler (crossed out); Iohannes Nycoll, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 2*s.*; his servant (blank); Willelmus Mederose (blank); Iohannes Robert tayllor, 16*d.*; Ricardus Geffray, 12*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 3*s.*; Willelmus Colyn, 2*d.*;

Tot.Assess.Roll, M35b, contd.

Robertus Midderhille, 2*s.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Iohannes Lakche, 4*d.*; Iohannes Ywayn, 2*s.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 20*d.*; his servant, 2*d.*; Simon Mersshe, 12*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 12*d.*; Iohanna Streccheforde, 8*d.*; Iohannes Shiplegh, 12*d.*; Henricus Antronn, 12*d.*; Willelmus Leche, 20*d.*; Iohannes Sebryth, 20*d.*; Iohannes Frankeleyn, 20*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 2*s.* 10*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Thomas Sompter, 4*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 10*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 16*d.*; Regulus Grega, 4*d.*; Stephanus Bellegh, 8*d.*; Petrus Mayn, 16*d.*; Iohannes Lucas senior (crossed out); Thomas Neulyng, 8*d.*; Iohannes Hughe, 4*d.*; Mabilla Rebele, 2*d.*; Iohannes Skrycher, 10*d.*; Vincencius Hag, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 6*d.*; Cecilia Somer, 10*d.*; Iohannes Somer junior, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hakewylle, 10*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 8*d.*; Iohannes Undell, 4*d.*; Henricus Sturt, 4*d.*; Ricardus Sturt, 4*d.*; Willelmus Chiswylle, 12*d.*; Thomas Mayn, 2*d.*; Philippus Blake, 2*d.*; Iohannes Coleton junior, 2*d.*; Willelmus Berye, 2*d.*

Total 76*s.* 11*d.* Assessors, Robertus Miderhill and Iohannes Forde. Collectors, Iohannes Irysshe and Iohannes Ywen.

Commencement of third membrane of third roll:

Without the west gate. Iohannes Robert webber, 8*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 4*s.*; Iohannes Brasuter, 4*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 2*s.*; Iohanna his servant, (blank); Willelmus Peret smyth, 4*d.*; Robertus Swayn, 10*d.*; Stephanus Lame, 1*d.*; Claricia Dover, (blank); Alicia Stoncombe, 2*d.*; Iohannes Forde mercer, 4*d.*; Fina Morys, 2*d.*; Henricus Marsshell, 3*d.*; Walterus Baker, 12*d.*; Willelmus Lemman, 2*d.*; Iohannes Dybell, 4*d.*; Willelmus Rugger, 16*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmyth, 20*d.*; Willelmus his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 10*d.*; Walterus Martyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pascowe, 8*d.*; Thomas Boon, 6*d.*; Patricius Mark, 14*d.*; Henricus Serle, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, 6*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 16*d.*; Iohannes Greyhod, 2*d.*; Iohannes Barkewode, 2*d.*; Walterus Rop, 3*d.*; Iohannes Lange, 6*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 10*d.*; Willelmus Marcow, 1*d.*; Iohannes Blanche, 6*d.*; Walterus Nycoll, 2*s.* 4*d.*; Thomas Bonde his servant, 3*d.*; and Margeria his servant, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 6*d.*; Iohannes Wymond, 4*d.*; David Bythewater, 12*d.*; Hugo Gylian, 8*d.*; Iohannes Iurdan, 8*d.*; Willelmus Dorenge, 2*d.*; Thomas Baker, 8*d.*; Margeria atte Lake, 16*d.*; Mattheus Gybbe, 8*d.*; Parva Totton', 2*s.* 6*d.*; Boghedon, 2*s.*; Bronneburgh. 3*s.*; Ricardus Hycok, 3*d.*; Adam Brounyng, 8*d.*; Ricardus Pynhoo, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 4*d.*; Ricardus Lagowe, 1*d.*; Iohannes Saunder, 2*d.*; Tybecumbe, 20*d.*; Thomas Smale, 4*d.*; Anna Parys, 2*d.*; Simon Turgys, 8*d.*; Agneta Ballond, 1*d.*

Total 42*s.* 8*d.* Assessors, Iohannes Kyng and Walterus Nicoll. Collectors, Willelmus Lester and Rogerus Stacy.

1414. On the 21st June Bishop Stafford commissions an enquiry to be made as to the alleged pollution of the Church of Totnes on the 18th June, in a quarrel between John Southam and Thomas Swynford, Prior of Totnes, and others, their abettors, about the rights of the Priory of Totnes, when it was said that blood was shed, and the Vicar and parishioners had since refrained from using the church. The Bishop, finding that the matter had been exaggerated, and that there was no blood shed or very serious quarrel, directed on the 23rd June the Vicar to resume its use immediately (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 351).

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 15. 1415. May the present and future know that we Willelmus Gibbe de Fenton and Rogerus William have delivered and confirmed to Iohannes Hillyng of Westlegh all our lands and tenements in Benlegh in the parish of Dupeforde which we have had formerly by gift and enfeoffment of the said Iohannes. To have and to hold as long as the said Iohannes lives. On condition that on his death all the aforesaid lands, etc., shall revert to Henricus Scoz and to Margeria his wife and their heirs. To hold, etc., of the capital lords of that fee. With reversion to the heirs of Iohannes.

The parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus Pyperell junior; 2 Iohannes Saghier; 3 Iohannes Benlegh; 4 Galfridus Smyth; 5 Iohannes Toker, and others.

Dated at Benlegh on Saturday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 2nd year of King Henry the son of King Henry.

Two cuts are marked respectively "Seals of Willelmus and Rogerus" and "Seals of Iohannes and Henricus," but neither seals nor tags remain.

Tot. Court Roll, M34b. The following, though tied to assessment rolls of 1450, is obviously misplaced.

15th January, 1415. Totteneyse. Law Court of the Mayor held on Tuesday in the festival of St. Maur in the second year of Henry V.

Twelve for the King (*i.e.* jurymen). Robertus Midererhill [*sic*], Iohannes Redeclyff, Iohannes Sebryzt, Iohannes Parys, Robertus Wastell, Petrus Pytard, Richardus Iakeman, Iohannes Symon taillor, Iohannes Pytard, Iohannes Forde, Iohannes Harrysmyth, Willelmus Soper.

They say that Iohannes Herberd should pay to the Mayor and Community because he slighted Willelmus Ryder Mayor of Totton' in full Court, 6*s.* 8*d.*

Tot. Court Roll, M34b, contd.

They say that the aforesaid Iohannes Herberd should pay to the Mayor and Community because dung lies in the King's way before his tenement for more than eight days contrary to the proclamation of the Mayor and the order made, 8*d.*

They say that Elena Irysshe should pay to the Mayor and Community of Totton' because dung lies over against "le Pomihous" in the King's way near the bridge of Totton' contrary to the proclamation and order made for more than eight days, 8*d.*

They say that the wall of the tenement formerly (belonging to) Henricus Kyng near the tenement of Vincencius Hag ought to be repaired for the safety of the subjects of the Lord King because it is weak, with all haste under a penalty of 20*s.*

They say that Patricius Mark ought to remove (*removere*) the soil lying before the tenement formerly held by Agatha Poxhill within the next four weeks under a penalty of 40*d.* payable to the Mayor and Community.

They say that Walterus Nicoll ought to remove his dung within eight days after he was cautioned under penalty of 8*d.*

Nicholaus Gybbe, 1*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 1*d.*; Iohannes Boon, 1*d.*; Walterus Redeclyf, 1*d.*; Iohannes Dybyll, 1*d.*; Thomas Straccheforde, 1*d.*; Iohannes Iwen, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 1*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 1*d*,; Iohannes Hardyng, 1*d.*; Willelmus Cheswill, 1*d.*; Regulus Grega, 1*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 1*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 1*d*,; Walterus Rop, 1*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 1*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 1*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, 1*d.*; and Patricius Mark, 1*d.* are in mercy for their defaults up to this day.

1415. Totteneyse. Court of Willelmus Ryder the Mayor held on Friday before Palm Sunday in the 3rd year of Henry V.

Twelve for the King (jurymen). Walterus Redeclyff, Robertus Miderhill, Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes Sebryzt, Iohannes Redeclyff, Iohannes Iohan, Walterus Nicoll, Iohannes Ywan, Iohannes Swayn, Willelmus Tolk, Thoma Veale, Willelmus Lester.

Who say that the following are disturbers of the peace of the Lord King, *i.e.* Iohannes Shapwek, Simon Mersshe, Iohannes Zouche, Thomas Pyryham, Iacobus servant of Willelmus Leche, Petrus Mayon, Thomas Boon, Iohannes Greyhod, Nicholaus Clerk, Iohannes Blanche, Robertus Wastell, Iohannes Hakewill, Willelmus Leche, Iohannes Paplegh, Iohannes Forde tayllor, Iohannes Parys, Iohannes Wolcome, Iohannes Hughe, Thomas Neulyn, Iohannes Frankleyn, Willelmus Dove *alias* Berys, Willelmus Gore deyer and Iohannes Hardyng.

Wednesday after 11th June, 1415.

Totteneys. Court of Willelmus Ryder the Mayor held on Wednesday after the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the 3rd year of King Henry V.

Tot. Court Roll, M34b, contd.

Thomas Maulysch, 2*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 2*d.*; Iohannes Symon tayllor, 2*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 2*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 2*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 2*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh, 2*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 2*d.*; Thomas Veale, 2*d.*; Thomas Gaveton, 2*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 2*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 2*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 2*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 2*d.*; Robertus Miderhill, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ywen, 2*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 2*d.*; Simon Mersshe, 2*d.*; Thomas Peryham, 2*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzt, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 2*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 2*d.*; Willelmus Cheswill, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 2*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 2*d.*; Walterus Baker, 2*d.*; Willelmus Rogger, 2*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmyth, 2*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 2*d.*; Patricius Mark, 2*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 2*d.*; Walterus Rop, 2*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 2*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 2*d.*; and Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*, are in mercy for their defaults, up to this day.

On reverse: Memorandum for the future that in the church of the Blessed Marie of Totteneys there shall be a certain anniversary celebrated on the eve and festival of St. George the Martyr called "*Seynt George hys myndey*" for the souls of all those who of their goods shall freely give towards the fabric of the said church of Totteneys at any reasonable time in the presence of the Mayor and his colleagues or others in their place namely on the vigil a solemn funeral service (*exequie*) and on the festival three solemn masses; that is one mass in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary mother of the omnipotent Deity, a second requiem mass for the souls of all included in the said anniversary and for the souls of all the faithful dead, the third in honour of St. George the Martyr patron of all England. The names of those belonging to the said anniversary to be contained in a certain roll delivered to the Vicar of the place. For which anniversary the Vicar of the place for the time being shall receive annually from the Wardens of the fabric of the Blessed Mary aforesaid two *solidi* sterling and whatever priest kept in the same parish annually and being there on the same vigil and festival of the said anniversary four *denarii* sterling and the water bearer (*aquebavilus*) of the place one *denarium* and the crier (*orator*) of the Community called the "Bedman," 3*d.*, namely 1*d.* for the souls of Ricardus Cauhewe and of Iohanna his wife founders of the said anniversary and of Willelmus Martyn and of Iuliana his wife one *denarium*. And the ringers of the bells on the aforesaid vigil and

festival six *denarii*. And the poor and weak priests (*sacerdotes*) bread and drink according to the discretion of the Mayor, of his colleagues and of the Wardens of the aforesaid fabric.

1415. 29th May. William Hunden, then Archdeacon of Totnes, exchanged with William Barton (Canon and Prebendary of Holy Cross in Lincoln Cathedral, and Rector of Crawley Magna); his proxy being Richard Barton (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 215).

Tot. Court Roll M35. Tuesday before 18th October, 1415.

Single membrane, nineteen and a half inches by eight and a half inches.

Totteneyse. Law Court of Willelmus Ryder the Mayor held on Tuesday before the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 3rd year of King Henry V.

Twelve for the King (jurymen). Iohannes Come, Iohannes Sebryzth, Henricus Austyn, Iohannes Herberd, Willelmus Hannok, Nicholaus Gybbe, Willelmus Soper, Iohannes Lovenetorre, Thomas Veale, Iohannes Pytard, Iohannes Iohan, Thomas Goneton.

Wardens of the Holy Cross. Willelmus Soper and Iohannes Ayllemer.

Wardens of Saint Mary. Thomas Veale and Iohannes Sebryzth.

Wardens of St. Leonard. Walterus Nicoll and Ricardus Gefferay.

Wardens of St. Peter. Iohannes Haulegh and Nicholaus Gybbe.

Wardens of St. Mary Magdalen. Iohannes Iurdayn and Robertus Swayn.

Wardens of the bridge. Iohannes Pytard and Thomas Goneton.

Wardens of Lechewell. David Bythewater and Iohannes Blanch.

Wardens of the swine without the east gate. Iohannes Schathe and Iohannes Frank.

Wardens of the swine within the gates. Iohannes Thomas and Ricardus Mayon.

Wardens of the swine without the west gate. Iohannes Wymund and Iohannes Lange.

21st December, 1415. Totteneyse. Court of Willelmus Ryder the Mayor held on Saturday on the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 3rd year of Henry V.

Iohannes Gerard *versus* Thomas Neulyn, 8*d*.

Tuesday after 13th January, 1416. Tottoneyse. Law Court of the Mayor held on Tuesday after the festival of St. Hillary in the 3rd year of Henry V.

Jurymen. Iohannes Lovenetorre, Iohannes Herberd, Walterus Nicholl, Iohannes Symon taillor, Iohannes Aylmer, Nicholaus Gibbe, Petrus Mayon, Ricardus Iakeman, Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes Forde, Petrus Pytard, Iohannes Redeclyff.

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Iohannes Gerard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Mathu, 4*d.*; Iohannes Robyn tayllor, 10*d.*; Ricardus Geffray, 6*d.*; Robertus Swayn (no sum); Iohannes Strycher, 4*d.*; Thomas Neulyn, 8*d.*; Iohannes Salman taillor, 4*d.*; Marschall, 3*d.*; Agneta Lucas, 4*d.*; Petrus Saveray, 4*d.*; Iohannes Wymund, 8*d.*

The arresters (*manucaptores*) of Willelmus Cloveneburgh, Vicar of Biry, bound over to keep the peace towards Iohannes Leg *alias* Forster and towards any of the subjects of the Lord King. Willelmus Tolk miller [*sic*] and Willelmus Sope Baker [*sic*] either of them in the sum of 40 marcs and Willelmus Cloveneburgh himself in the sum of (*sub pene*) 40 *libri.*

"Do." of Walterus Ywan Booher [*sic*] bound over to keep the peace (*de se pacifice gerendo*) towards Willelmus Fursdon hosbandeman and any of the subjects of the Lord King. Iohannes Ywan Booher and Regulus Grega mason either of them in the sum of 20 marcs and Walterus himself in the sum of 40 marcs.

"Do." of Willelmus Fursdon hosbandeman bound over to keep the peace towards Walterus Ywan, etc. Robertus Miderhille merchannt and Walterus Tolk tayllor either of them in the sum of 20 marcs and Willelmus himself in 40 marcs.

Added to bottom of reverse side: "Do." Iohannes Somer is bound over to keep the peace towards Willelmus Fursdon hosbandeman, etc. Iohannes Ywan bocher and Regulus Grega mason either of them in the sum of 20 marcs and Iohannes Somer himself in the sum of 40 marcs.

Tuesday after 3rd May, 1416.

On reverse: Tottonia. Law Court of Willelmus Ryder the Mayor held on Tuesday after the festival of the Invention of the Holy Cross in the 4th Henry V.

Jurymen. Henricus Hurt, Iohannes Perkyn, Iohannes Parys, Nicholaus Gybbe, Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes Symon taillor, Iohannes Thomas, Iohannes Harry Smyth, Thomas Goneton, Thomas Veale, Iohannes Forde, Iohannes Swayn.

Who say that Ricardus Herberd ought to be expelled from the freedom unless he should wish to extricate Ricardus Iakeman from the Court of Aysshe in Cornwall during the next festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist.

They say that Simon Mersshe ought to be expelled from the freedom of the aforesaid burg unless he extricates Iohannes Kyng citizen of Totton' from the King's Court who should present himself at the bar of the Lord King and should do this during the next festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist.

Tot. Court Roll, M35, contd.

They say that Iohannes Bon should pay to the Mayor and Community 6*s.* 8*d.* or be expelled from the freedom because he impeached by document (*appecchiavit per bullam*) Iohannes Thomas and his servants in the presence of the Justices of the peace at Exon'.

They say that Stephanus Reallegh should pay the Mayor and Community 3*s.* 4*d.* because he occupied his position in (*occupavit*) the freedom of the burg of Totton' after that he had been expelled on the decision of the Mayor and Community.

They say that Iohannes Herberd should pay on account of dung lying before his entrance 8*d.* if it should lie for eight following days.

They say that the wardens of the church ought to enclose the cemetery with all speed possible when they can get the workmen.

They say that they find fault with Walterus Redeclyff the receiver and Henricus Austyn that the receivers and other wardens are not able to count and they say that the receiver of the ville ought to keep all monies (*denarios*) of the ville in his custody. And that the wardens of the church and all other wardens of whatever store ought to keep the treasury in their own hands.

They say that all measures of the town ought to be measured and to correspond with one measure throughout the whole ville.

They say that concerning the fifteenth for many years past and for many communities of the ville that they ought to have a calculation with all speed.

They say that the Mayor of the ville does not manage the liberties of the ville as they were managed of old therefore they wish to have better advice for preserving the aforesaid liberty better.

They say that Petrus Mayon was outlawed for felony at the suit of a certain Willelmus Raulyn miller [*sic*] of the burg of Totton and is therefore deprived of his freedom.

To this Court comes Walterus Liggha and is admitted to the Gild of merchants of Tottonia and is sworn to the observance of all laws according to the custom of the burg and moreover is sworn that never will he claim any liberty except in buying and selling for himself which is doubtful whether it may be bound by conditions or not. Sureties, Iohannes Symon merser and Robertus Miderhill marchannt. And gives for fine as appears in the margin (*in capite*' 13*s.* 4*d.*). And he has for payment up to the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist and of St. Michael the Archangel.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 937

The following deed is judged to be of sufficient interest and importance to give a literal transcription (see illustration).

The parchment measures thirteen inches by six inches, from the lower edge of which, half-way across, a strip has been cut, to which the seal is affixed.

The writing is certainly of the period early XV century, of which the following is a transcript, with extended abbreviations.

Henricus Dei gratia Rex Anglie et Francie dominus Hibernie omnibus ad quos presentes litere pervenerint salutem. Inspeximus cartam confirmacionis domini Henrici patris nostri nuper Rex Anglie quam fecit feodariis ad castrum Tottonie pertinentibus.

Henricus Dei gratia Rex Anglie et Francie dominus Hibernie dux Acquietanie [*sic*] Archiepiscopes [*sic*] Episcopis, Abbatibus, Prioribus, Comitibus, Baronibus, Iusticiariis, Vicecomitibus, Prepositis, Ministris et omnibus ballivis suis salutem. Sciatis nos inspexisse cartam domini Ricardi quondam Regis Anglie factam feodariis ad castrum Tottonie spectantibus.

Ricardus Dei gratia Rex Anglie et Francie dominus Hibernie, etc., omnibns ministris nostris salutem. Noveritis nos inspexisse cartam quam Iohannes quondam Rex Anglie fecit feodariis ad castrum Tottonie spectantibus in hec verba.

Iohannes Dei gratia Rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie, dux Normannie et Acquietanie [*sic*], comes Andegavensis, Archiepiscopis, Episcopis, Abbatibus, Comitibus, Baronibus, Vicecomitibus et omnibus ballivis suis salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse quod omnes feodarii et successores sui ad castrum Tottonie pertinentibus sint liberi per totam terram nostram de theolonio, pontagio, passagio, lastagio et stallagio et de omnibus aliis consuetudinibus. Concessimus autem predictis feoderiis et successoribus suis quod non placuerunt nisi infra libertates castri predicti. Concedimus insuper predictis feodariis et eoribus successoribus quod nullus vicecomes aut aliquis alius ballivis (escaetor, damp stain) in aliquo se intromittat de re querela vel occasione aliqua vel aliqua re ad predictum castrum pertinentis praeterquam de placita ad coronam nostram spectantibus. Datum apud Westm'(onasterium) sexto die mensis Maii anno regni nostri primo.

if Richard II, 6th May, 1378.

Nos autem concessiones et confirmaciones predictas ratas habentes et gratas eas pro nobis et heredibus nostris quantum in nobis est dilectis nobis nunc feodariis et eoribus successoribus tenore presencium concedimus et confirmavimus sicut carta predicta rationabiliter testata. In

5th December, 1415. cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Westm'(onasterium) quinto die Decembri anno regni nostri tertio.

On reverse: "Carta castri Totton." "Inspeximus t(empore) 3 Henry, 2nd (crossed out), 5th." The latter entry is in a later hand.

Appended is a small seal with the letter H, surmounted by a coronet (see illustration).

The writing of the deed might be adjudged as that of a copyist, writing rather more hurriedly than is usually apparent, and possibly from dictation.

No record of any of the above Charters or Inspeximus is to be found at the Record Office. Mr. Arthur F. Heintz, who made a special search for the author, points out that as King John came to the throne on 27th May, 1199 (he only landed at Shoreham on the 25th May, from Normandy, where he happened to be at the time of Richard I's death) the 6th May, in the first year of his reign, would be in 1200 and not 1199 (p. 62). But in the year 1200, on the 5th May, King John was at Caen, and on the 7th May at Bonneville *sur* Touques, so the Charter could not have been issued by him "at Westminster 6th May, 1st John." As suggested on p. 286 the date given probably refers to the Inspeximus by Richard II, just as the last date is of Henry V's reign—the date of John's Charter being omitted by the copyist.

There is abundant evidence that King John, in the early part of his reign, whether in return for assistance, or with a view to ingratiating himself with the people as opposed to the barons, granted many concessions to towns in different parts of the kingdom.

The Corporation of the City of Norwich possesses a Charter granted by King John in 1199 (*Hist. MSS. Commission*, 1st report, fo. 102). Kingston on Thames formerly had a Charter dated 1st King John, and still has a second, dated at Taunton, 23rd September, 10th King John. In the collection at Pembroke College, Cambridge, are seven deeds of this reign, the earliest to the Lazars of Ferham, granted on the 18th April, 1st King John, another to the Church of Reading on the 2nd March, 2nd King John (*ibidem*, 1st report, fo. 71). In the collection of Viscount Gormanston is a deed granted to William Baron de Naas, concerning Karakytell near Lymerick, dated at Rouen, 6th September, 1199 (*ibidem*, 4th report, fo. 582). Another, granted to the Canons of Wells, is dated at Le Mans, 30th September, 1st King John (*ibidem*, 3rd

report, fo. 351). The Corporation of Leicester possesses the Inspeximus of a Charter to the burgesses, dated at Bures, 26th December, 1st King John (*Hist. MSS. Commission*, 8th report, fo. 416*b*). The City of Chester has three deeds, two granted by John as Earl of Moreton before his accession, the third as King, dated at Merlebridge, 3rd May, 3rd King John (*ibidem*, 8th report, fo. 355*a* and 356*b*), and in the collection of Carlisle Cathedral is the so-called "Erection Charter granted to the burg of Appleby by King John" (*ibidem*, 2nd report, fo. 125). On the 15th June, in the second year of his reign (1200), at Saumur (?), King John granted a Charter to Exeter, confirming the grant of the customs of London, as conceded by his father, King Henry II, and the subsequent confirmation by his brother, King Richard I.

Cal. Pat. Rolls, Record Office, **1415.**

30th December, 3rd Henry V. Inspeximus and confirmation to John Isham, son of Robert Isham of letters patent of William le Zouche Lord of Totteness, dated at Salisbury, 26th October, 3rd Henry V granting for life to his kinsman the said John the office of constableship of his lordship of the town and castle of Totteness receiving 2*d.* daily and 40*s.* yearly for his fee with all commodities and profits and putting him in seisin by payment of 12*d.*

Tot. Assess. Roll, M34. Monday before 25th January, **1416.**

Five membranes measuring, in all, nine feet five inches by five inches.

Roll of one fifteenth in the time of Willelmus Ryder Mayor in the last Parliament granted on Monday before the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the 3rd year of King Henry V.

Thomas Lucas, 2*d.*; Galfridus Bolle, 4*d.*; Iohannes Frank, 5*d.*; servant of the same—; Iohannes Skytemo, 4*d.*; Petrus Savery, 6*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 2*s.* 8*d.*; Ricardus Flaccher, 4*d.*; Petrus de Cerys, 6*d.*; Iohannes his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Gerard, 10*d.*; Thomas Moulysch, 12*d.*; Iohannes Salman taillor, 22*d.*; Agneta Lucas, 8*d.*; Iohannes Symon tayllor, 20*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 10*d.*; servant of Iohannes Symon, 2*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 3*s.* 4*d.*; his servant, 2*d.*; Agatha Took, 2*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 7*d.*; Thomas Harper, 1*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 10*d.*; Iohannes Come, 16*d.*; Iohannes Herberd, 16*d.*; Iohannes Schathill, 6*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Mathu, 14*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 20*d.*; Iohannes Symon merser, 4*s.*; Henricus Austyn, 2*s.*; Ricardus Dawe, 6*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 10*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 18*d.*; servant, 1*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Amma Bykebery, 6*d.*; his servant, 2*d.*; Iohannes Roberd, 3*d.*; Willelmus Cor, 6*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh, 12*d.*; Iohannes Wolcome, 4*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 2*s.*; Morys Gerard, 8*d.*; Philippus Blake (blank); Iohannes Perkyn, 2*s.*; Iohanna Colyn, 1*d.*; Thoma Veale, 2*s.* 8*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; another

servant of his, 1*d.*; Henricus Carpenter, 12*d.*; Simon Webber, 16*d.*; Colyn his servant, 4*d.*; Michael his servant, 2*d.*; Thomas Goneton, 18*d.*; Avicia Rondell, 1*d.*; Dionisius Veale, 1*d.*; Ricardus Row, 8*d.*; Guillelmus Carpenter, 8*d.*; Robertus Osanne, 2*s.*; Iohannes Harry, 2*s.*; Iohannes Masson, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lucas junior, 3*d.*; Alicia Cole, 2*d.*; Willelmus Carpenter, 4*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 4*d.*; Laurencius Brasuter, 8*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 2*s.* 4*d.*; Thomas Tynke, 2*d.*: the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn, 20*d.*; Walterus Thorslegh, 12*d.*; Iohannes Gambaud, 4*d.*; Iohannes Lake, 12*d.* Total 61*s.* 1*d.*

The assessors (*positores*), Iohannes Come and Iohannes Herberd. The collectors, Petrus Pytard and Symon Webber.

Commencement of next membrane:

Thomas Cauff, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hille, 4*d.*; Willelmus Ryder, 4*s.*; Iohanna his servant; Iohannes Vyan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 2*s.*; Iohannes Norys, 8*d.*; Iohanna Symon, 4*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Willelmus Donstor, 2*d.*; Willelmus Gore, 3*s.* 4*d.*; his daughter, 6*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh tayllor, 8*d.*; Iohannes Chipton, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Elena Irysshe and Iohannes Irysshe, 12*d.*; Sabina Beaulegh, 3*d.*; Isota her daughter, 1*d.*; Petrus Kyng, 4*d.*; Alicia Halghewill, 4*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 12*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 2*s.* 8*d.*; Iohannes Hornare, 2*d.*; Ricardus Forbos, 6*d.*; Mabill' Mascy, 4*d.*; Walterus Redeclyff, 4*s.*; Laurencius Goldsmyth, 1*d.*; Iohannes Bon, 16*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 14*d.*; Iohannes Redeclyff, 3*s.*; Iohannes Benet, 2*d.*; Iohannes Dybyll (crossed out); Robertus Sadeler (blank); Iohannes Nicoll, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 2*s.* 2*d.*; his servant (blank); Willelmus Helier, 2*d.*; Iohannes Roberd tayllor, 14*d.*; Ricardus Gefferay, 12*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 3*s.*; Willelmus Colyn, 2*d.*; Robertus Miderhill, 2*s.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Iohannes Lacche, 4*d.*; Iohannes Ywen, 2*s.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 20*d.*; his servant, 2*d*; Simon Mersshe, 16*d.*; Thomas Pyryham (blank); Thomas Straccheford, 8*d.*; Henricus Anteron, 8*d.*; Willelmus Leche, 20*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzt, 20*d.*; Iohannes Frankleyn, 2*s.*; Willelmus Tolk, 3*s.*: Thomas Sompter, 6*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 10*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 16*d.*; Regulus Grygge, 4*d.*; Stephanus Reallegh, 8*d.*; Petrus Mayon, 16*d.*; Iohannes Lucas senior, 2*d.*; Thomas Neulyn, 8*d.*; Iohannes Hughe, 4*d.*; Mabill' Ryble, 2*d.*; Iohannes Scrycher, 8*d.*; Vincencius Hag, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 6*d.*; Cecilia Somer, 12*d.*; Iohannes Somer junior, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 12*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 8*d.*; Iohannes Oundell, 4*d.*; Henricus Sturte, 4*d.*; his son, 4*d.*; Willelmus Cheswill, 12*d.*; Ricardus formerly servant of Nicholas Gybbe, 4*d.*; Thomas Mayon, 2*d.* Total 77*s.* 1*d.* Assessors

(*positores*), Robertus Bastell and Petrus Mayon. Collectors, Iohannes Forde and Stephanus Reallegh.

Commencement of third membrane:

Iohannes Roberd weaver (webber), 8*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 4*s.*; Iohannes Brasuter, 4*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 2*s.*; Iohanna his servant, 2*d.*; Willelmus Peret the smith (Smyth), 4*d.*; Robertus Swayn, 10*d.*; Stephanus Lame, 1*d.*; Claricia Bo(n or v)er, 2*d.*; Alicia Stoncombe, 2*d.*; Iohannes Forde "merser", 4*d.*; Fina Morys, 2*d.*; Henricus Marschell, 2*d.*; Walterus Baker, 12*d.*; Willelmus Loreman, 2*d.*; Willelmus Rogger, 20*d.*; Iohannes Harry Smyth, 20*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 10*d.*; Walterus Martyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Keverletwebber, 12*d.*; Thoma Boon, 6*d.*; Patricius Mark, 14*d.*; Henricus Serle, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, 6*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 16*d.*; Iohannes Greyhed, 2*d.*; Iohannes Barkwode, 2*d.*; Walterus Rop, 4*d.*; Iohannes Lange, 6*d.*; Thoma Roberd, 10*d.*; Willelmus Marcow, 1*d.*; Iohannes Blanche, 6*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 2*s.* 4*d.*; Thomas servant, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 6*d.*; Iohanna servant of Walterus Nicoll, 1*d.*; Iohannes Whese, 4*d.*; David Bythewater, 14*d.*; Hugo Gelan, 8*d.*; Willelmus Corange (blank); Iohannes Iordayn, 4*d.*; Thomas Baker, 8*d.*; Margeria atte Lake, 12*d.*; Mattheus Gybbe, 8*d.*; Parva Totton', 2*s.* 6*d.*; Boghedon, 2*s.* 8*d.*; Bronneburgh, 2*s.* 8*d.*; Ricardus Hicok, 3*d.*; Adam Brounyng, 8*d.*; Ricardus Pynho, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 4*d.*; Ricardus Lago, 1*d.*; Iohannes Sonder, 2*d.*; Iohanna servant of Iohannes Somer, 1*d.*; Tybecombe, 20*d.*; Thomas Smale, 4*d.* Total 16*s.* 9*d.* Assessors, Iohannes Harrysmyth and Iohannes Parys. Collectors, Iohannes Hamelyn and Iohannes Roberd webber.

Totteneyse. Roll of the freedom in the time of Willelmus Ryder Mayor in the 3rd year Henry V.

Petrus de Cerys, 2½*d.*; Thomas Moulysch, 2*d.*; Petrus Pytard, 4½*d.*; Henricus Hurt, 5*d.*; Iohannes Symon tayllor, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Swet, 2½*d.*; Agatha Cok, ½*d.*; Rogerus Prous, 1*d.*; Ricardus Herberd, 1*d.*; Iohannes Come, 3*d.*; Iohannes Herberd, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2½*d.*; Henricus Austyn, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 4*d.*; Iohannes Symon "merser," 5*d.*; Ricardus Dove, 1*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 3½*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 2*d.*; Amicia (? probably) Bykebery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Haulegh, 2½*d.*; Bernardus Gamboud, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Lovenetorre, 3*d.*; Thomas Veale, 4*d.*; Thomas Goneton, 2½*d.*; Dionisius Veale, 1*d.*; Iohannes Harry, 3*d.*; Thomas Tynke, ½*d.*; Stephanus Piers, 1*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 3½*d.*; Walterus Thorslegh, 2*d.*

Total 6*s.* 5½*d.* Without the east gate. Collector, Iohannes Swet.

Within the gates:

Willelmus Ryder, 4*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Norys, 2*d.*; Iohannes Iohan, 4*d.*; Willelmus Donstor, 1*d.*; Elena Irysshe, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Boon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 2½*d.*; Robertus Wastell, 2*d.*; Mabill' Mascy, ½*d.*; Walterus Redeclyff, 5*d.*; Iohannes Redeclyffe, 4½*d.*; Willelmus Mederose, ½*d.*; Nicholaus Gybbe, 3½*d.*; Robertus Miderhill, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 4*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 5*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 4*d.*; Iohannes Ywen, 4*d.*; Richardus Iakeman, 3*d.*; Simon Mersshe, 2*d.*; Thomas Straccheford, 1*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzth, 2½*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 4*d.*; Thomas Sompter, 1*d.*; Iohannes Ayllemer, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 2*d.*; Sabina Beaulegh, ½*d.*; Petrus Margum, 3*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, ½*d.*; Regulus Grega, 1*d.*; Vincencius Hag, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 1*d.*; Cecilia Somer, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 2*d.*; Iohannes Helston, ½*d.*; Willelmus Cheswill, 1*d.*; Willelmus Raulyn miller, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Keys, ½*d.*

Commencement of fifth membrane:

Iohannes Bokyete, 1*d.*; Iohannes Stonyng, 3*d.*; Gervasius Frensshe, 6*d.*; Willelmus Rydon, 5*d.*; Iohannes Saunder, 5*d.*; Willelmus London, ½*d.*; Thomas Roly, 2*d.*; Ricardus Saunder, 5*d.*

Total 9*s.* 6½*d.* Collector, Iohannes Hakewill.

Without the east gate:

Iohannes Kyng, 5*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 4*d.*; Iohannes Dybell, 1½*d.*; Walterus Baker, 2*d.*; Walterus Roper, 1½*d.*; Alicia Rondell, ½*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 2½*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 2*d.*; Fine Morys, ½*d.*; Walterus Nicoll, 4½*d.*; Willelmus Rogger, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmith, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 1½*d.*; Walterus Serle, 2*d.*; Henricus Serle, 1*d.*; Patricius Mark, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Parva Totton', 6*d.*; Boghedon, 3*d.*; Bronneburgh, 3*d.*; Tybecomb', 3*d.*

Total, 4*s.* 4*d.* Collector, Patricius Mark.

Tot. Mun. Deed, Monday after 25th January, 1416.

Be it known that I Iohannes Salman have quit claimed to Iohannes Cohuk all claim against him from the beginning of the world to the present day. I have appended my seal. Dated on Monday after the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul in the third year of the reign of King Henry the fifth.

Appended small seal, probably impress of signet ring.

Device doubtless a merchant mark. At top small cross with long stem resting in circle or mound; to dexter a semicircle attached to the stem, the sinister side being occupied by three flail-like appendages, other projections from the stem occur below these.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 938. 1416.

5th March. Iohannes Redeclyf formerly provost of the ville of Totton, Henricus Bastard chaplain, Iohannes Hawles, Willelmus Soper, and Vincentius Bakere citizens and inhabitants of the said ville of Tottonia greeting. We give notice by these presents that a certain Iohannes Asshrygge and Isabella his wife, daughter and heir of Iohanna wife of Iohannes Crokke by the More, by law of heritage of the said Isabella, have entered into possession of a tenement in Totten' on the 18th of September last. Which is situated between the tenement of the heirs of Thoma Bold on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Haustyn on the west side. Which same Iohannes Crokke by the More with the assent of Iohanna his wife has given the said tenement in exchange to Walterus Thoreslegh citizen of Dertemouth for another tenement in Thoreslegh the property of the said Walterus. In witness of which we have appended our seals. Dated at Tottonia 5th March in the 3rd year of the reign of King Henry V.

Three strips are cut from deed: the first bearing two seals; the second, one; and the third, two seals. That of the chaplain is probably the single one, a small impression, probably of a ring, showing what appears to be a seven-branch light standing on a cross bound by a circle. On one seal the letters I H (probably Iohannes Hawles). On another an A (possibly Asshrygge's seal). The two others carry letters to be interpreted probably as B and C.

1416.

The will dated 4th April of Richard Holrygge, Vicar of Brixham. Executors: Rd. Herygawde, Walter Lyze and Thos. Dollynge. Proved 4th May, 1416, before the Bishop at Clyst. Total value of goods £54. 13*s*. 4*d*.

He commends his soul to God and his body to holy burial. To Richard Herygawde, chaplain, he leaves a book called "*Pars oculi*." To Thos. Smyth, chaplain, "*unam togam penulatam cum Crestygrey*." To John Pyak a coat of crimson cloth. To the nuns of Cornworthy, a silver cup and cover and to each of them one spoon and 20*s*. among them. To the Friars Minors of Exeter 20*s*. To the Friars Preachers at Exeter 13*s*. 4*d*. To a chaplain to say mass for his soul in Brixham Church for a year 8 marks. To each of his executors 13*s*. 4*d*. and 20 marks to be spent on his funeral expenses (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 416).

N.B.—There is no mention of his patrons the Prior and Convent of Totnes.

On the death of Richard Holrygge a good deal of strife occurred at Brixham owing to the appointment or presentation of a new vicar.

1416. On the 22nd April a Commission was appointed to enquire into the claims of three aspirants with their respective patrons :—

John Mason, priest, was presented by John Earl of Huntingdon.

Walter Wadham, clerk, was presented by Sir Edward Courtenay, knt., son of Edward Earl of Devon.

Thomas Shordich, chaplain, was presented by Eustace Valdryan, citizen of London.

On the 29th April a prohibition was issued forbidding the admission of any clerk pending the settlement of the dispute as to the right of patronage between Eustace Waldryan, citizen of London, and Sir Edward Courtenay, knt., and Sir John Holand, knt.

On the 15th May the prohibition is suspended.

On the 22nd May Walterus Wadham was installed on the presentation of Sir Edward Courtenay, knt., son of Edward Earl of Devon.

On the 8th October a Commission was appointed to enquire into the pollution of the Cemetery of Brixham Church by Adam Blake, John Whyte and others with bloodshed.

On the 14th October another Commission was appointed for the Reconciliation of the Cemetery (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 38).

Walter Tolke (*cissor*) and Isabella de Tottonia had married in ignorance of all impediments, and afterwards discovered that Reynald Beck, who had had illicit intercourse with Isabella, was related to Walter in the 3rd degree of consanguinity. Dispensation was granted by Bishop Stafford 31st July, 1416 (*ibidem*, fo. 350).

Tot. Pr. Deed clii. Monday after 29th September, 1416.

Be it known, etc., I Isabella Herry in my widowhood have quit claimed, etc., to Ioannes Carter of Galmeton all my right which I have, etc., in all those my lands and tenements with my —— (*cum diretto meo*) at le Brigge in the lordship of Chageford. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief, etc. And I the aforesaid Isabella undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Cole de Netheway esquire; 2 Willelmus Ferers esquire; 3 Iohannes Ferers esquire; 4 Nicholaus Penels; 5 Ricardus Yerde, and others.

Dated at Chageford on Monday next after the festival of Saint Michael the Archangel in the fourth year of the reign of King Henry the fifth.

1417. 14th December. John Schapwyk and Christina his wife received licence for an oratory from Bishop Stafford in the chapel of the Holy Trinity within their residence at Boghedon (*hodie* Bowden) in the parish of Totnes (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 280).

An undated entry in the Early Chancery Proceedings, Bundle 9, No. 301, is addressed by John Shapwyck of Totteneys to the Bishop of Bath and Wells, then Chancellor of England, in which he complains that after occupying the office of Mayor for more than half a year he was assaulted by three men by name, "John Shiplegh mercer, Richard Hogge yoman, Henry atte Beare and Walter Lygha yomen," who with others took "the Kyngs mase" from him and otherwise deposed him. The letter asks that they be summoned to appear before the Chancellor to answer for their conduct (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. v, fo. 134, p. 79, by Mr. E. Windeatt).

This Richard Hogge is probably the provost "Hoigge" of the years 1435 and 1437. As William Shapwick occurred Mayor in 1431 and 1435, it was probably a question of rivalry in which the "mercer" may have been the unsuccessful candidate, as he never attained the mayoralty.

1418. Thomas Reymound by will dated 8th June left to the Leper Houses at Barnstaple and at Totnes 4*s.* 1*d.* each (as if their need was greater) and to those at Exeter, Honiton, Plympton, Plymouth, Tavistock and Torrington 3*s.* 4*d.* each.

Totnes Priory is certainly omitted from all wills of this period, although the neighbouring house of Cornworthy benefitted to the extent of twelve bequests during the bishopric of Edmund Stafford (1395-1419).

John Ulveston, Vicar of Stokenham, by will dated 14th March, left for the bridge at Aveton Giffard, 6*s.* 8*d.*; for Staverton bridge, 3*s.* 4*d.*; and for Totnes Bridge, 3*s.* 4*d.* He bequeathed also 40*s.* to Buckfast Abbey, and 3*s.* 4*d.* to the Prioress and nuns of Cornworthy, but nothing to Totnes Priory (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 417).

1419. On the 28th January a quarrel occurred in the cemetery between Stephen Bellegh and William Brydon, whereby the sacred enclosure was said to be polluted. On the 31st January, after enquiry, the Bishop found that there was no pollution, and ordered the dead to be buried as before (*ibidem*, fo. 351).

On the 26th June, John Andrew, Rector of Ayschpryngton (Ashprington) is licensed to celebrate in the chapel of St. David at Hamme in the parish of Ashprington. There was also a chapel of St. John at Pinford in the

parish of Ashprington. The Rector was appointed a Penitentiary in the Deanery of Totnes on three occasions during this bishopric (*Reg. Bp. Stafford*, fo. 7).

On the 6th July, John Mathiu [*sic*] Vicar of Brodeclyst exchanged livings with Geoffrey Barger the Rector of Alphington, patron, Sir John Huntyndon.

On the 3rd September, Bishop Edmund de Stafford died. His successor John Catrik, twentieth Bishop of Exeter, never entered his diocese. On the 20th November he was nominated while at Florence by Pope Martin V, but he died a little more than a month after (28th December), and was buried in the Franciscan Church de Sancta Croce at Florence.

1420. In May, Edmund Lacy, then Bishop of Hereford, was transferred by the wish of King Henry V, and on election by the Dean and Chapter the choice was confirmed by Pope Martin V. According to William of Worcester he was consecrated on 11th July, 1420.

1421. 27th March. Licence is granted to Lord Iohannes Bowdon Rector of Dertyngton to absent himself from his church to the festival of St. Michael next.

On the same day licence is granted to Iohannes Abell chaplain (he was not appointed Vicar until 5th March, 1429) of Bryxham to hear confession of certain of the parishioners of the said church concerning certain matters (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Extracts from Schedules of Clergy cited to appear at Convocations in London during the first part of Edmund Lacy's Bishopric (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

25th April. Magister Willelmus Barton Archdeacon of Totnes.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Tottonia.

Seven Abbats and seven Priors in all are summoned, the Prior of Tywardreath is not included.

10th April, 1426. Magister Iohannes Thisayne Archdeacon of Totton'.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Tottonia.

30th June, 1428. Magister Iohannes Typhayne Archdeacon of Tottonia.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Tottonia.

31st March, 1430. Magister Iohannes Typhayn Archdeacon of Totton'.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Totton'.

Eight Abbats and eight Priors are summoned, but not the Prior of Tywardraith.

6th November, 1433. Magister Alanne Kyrketon Archdeacon of Totton'.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Totton'.

Eight Abbats and eight Priors are summoned, but not the Prior of Tywardraith.

10th April, 1437. Magister Alanus Kyrketon Archdeacon of Totton'.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Totton'.

31st March, 1438. Magister Alanus Kyrketon Archdeacon of Totton'.
Frater Iohannes Prior of Totton'.

4th November, 1439. Magister Alanus Kyrketon Archdeacon of Totton'.
Frater Ricardus Prior of Totton.

The eight Abbats summoned are from Tavystoke, Hertylond, Torre, Forde, Newenham, Dunkeswylle, Bokelond and Bukfestre.

The eight Priors summoned are from Plympton, Tottonia, Launceston, Bodmin, St. German, Freythellestoke, St. Nicholas Exeter and Barnstaple.

The Archdeacons of Exeter, Totnes, Barnstaple and Cornwall represented the clergy of the diocese.

Penitentiaries appointed for the Deanery of Tottonia during the first part of Edmund Lacy's Bishopric (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

27th March, 1421. Magister Iohannes Vicar of Brynta (Brent), Frater Iohannes Vicar of Tounstall and Lord Petrus Duke Vicar of Hurberton.

2nd March, 1426. Magister Iohannes Vicar of Brente, Frater Iohannes Vicar of Tounstall and Lord Petrus Vicar of——

10th February, 1427. Magister Iohannes Vicar of Brenta, Frater Iohannes Vicar of Tounstall and Lord Petrus Vicar of Hurburton.

7th February, 1429. Frater Iohannes Vicar of Tounstall, Lord Petrus Vicar of Hurburton and Lord Iohannes Vicar of Tottonia.

4th March, 1430. Magister Iohannes Vicar of Brent, Lord Iohannes Vicar of Totton' and Lord Willelmus Rector of Stokeflemyng.

16th February, 1433. Lord Iohannes Vicar of Hurberton and the Rector of Stokeflemyng.

8th February, 1436. Frater Iohannes Lacy Vicar of Tounstall, Rector of Stokeflemyng (this is continuous and doubtless means that he held both appointments) and Lord Iohannes Rector of Dertryngton.

23rd January, 1437. Frater Iohannes Lacy Vicar of Tounstall, Rector of Stokeflemyng and Lord Iohannes Rector of Dertyngton.

15th February, 1439. Lord Iohannes Vicar of Tounstall, Magister Ricardus Rector of Dupeford, Lord Iohannes Vicar of Brente and Magister Iohannes Vicar of Hurberton.

28th May, 1421. In a record of arrears to the Papal collector. The Prior of Trewardrayth owes procuration for six years. The Abbat of Torre from the year 1420. The Prior of Tottonia is not mentioned (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, Monday after 8th September, 1421.

The following is apparently only a draft of the three following deeds.

May the present and future know that I Rogerus de Mowlysch and Katerina my wife have given to Ricardus Ston clerk and to Iohannes Spencer all our property in Mowlysch in the parish of Kenton and all our property in Bury and in Broke and other places in the parish of Dunsford in Devon. To have and to hold, etc. Clause of warranty. Dated on Monday after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary in the tenth year of the reign of King Henry the fifth. Witnessed by: 1 Petrus Turnell; 2 Willelmus Coter; 3 Iohannes Holecomb, and others.

The date is very indistinct, but judging by the sequel the above is intended.

Monday after 29th September, 1421.

Be it known that we Ricardus Ston clerk and Iohannes Spencer have conceded to Katerina wife of Rogerus de Mowlysch all our property in Mowlysch in the parish of Kenton and all our property in Byry and in Broke and otherwise in the parish of Dunsford in Devon which we have by the gift and feofment of the said Rogerus de Mowlysch and Katerina his wife. To have and to hold, etc., for the term of her life with reversion to Iohannes de Mowlysch son of the aforesaid Rogerus and Katerina. Dated on Monday after the festival of St. Michael in the tenth year of King Henry the fifth.

24th December, 1468.

May it be known I Stephanus Hore of Legh undertake to pay to Thoma Bastard of South Garston forty *libri* sterling on the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul. I have appended my seal. Dated 24th December in the eighth year of King Edward the fourth. Conditionally in case of dispute to appoint as arbitrators Philip Courtenay Esquire on behalf of Stephanus and Thomas Hexte on behalf of Thomas Bastard.

12th September, 1421.

Frater Willelmus, Abbat of Torre, and Prior Frater Iohannes of Tywardraith are still in arrears to the Papal collector (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

3rd November. Master John Thifayn, Doctor of Medicine, on the death of Master William Bartone was collated 3rd November to the Archdeaconry of Totnes while Bishop Lacy was at Faringdon, Hants. Mandate for his Induction and Installation was directed to the Dean of Exeter, or in his absence to the Precentor (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 47).

12th November. The Prioress and nuns of Corneworthy are licensed to celebrate "*in infirmario infra Prioratum*" (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

25th November, in the fifth year of the pontificate of Martin V. Anthony, Cardinal of Aquileia, granted an indulgence of 100 days to all benefactors and pious pilgrims to the chapel of St. Peter the Apostle near the town of Tottoneys, situated between the town and the sea, who shall

pray for the souls of Iohannes Thomas and of Iohanna his wife, citizens of the said town and of their children, relations and friends, as also for the soul of Stephanus de Lafownt (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 242).

1421. 9th December. Ricardus Pyperell and Christina his wife receive licence to celebrate in the chapel or oratory of St. John the Baptist within their dwelling-house in the parish of Ashprington (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

9th December. Dom. Iohannes Somaystrer, chaplain of the Premonstratensian order, is appointed Rector of the Parish Church of Throweston (Thurlestone). The Rev. Hingeston-Randolph records the successor of Brother John Summaystere, but evidently did not find his appointment in the Institutions (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, Vol. i, fo. 87). It occurs in the Common Register of Bishop Lacy, and is inserted to show that inmates of the religious houses were appointed to churches even although the advowson or right of presentation was not owned, as in this case. Thorre Abbey, the only Premonstratensian foundation in the county, did not present to or own the Church of Thurlestone, the Patron of which was William Ferrers, Esquire.

On the same day Indulgence of forty days is granted to those who contribute towards the bridge known as "Jewysbrugge," in the parish of Bovytracy (see page 309).

1422. 25th April. To all the sons of Holy Mother Church, etc., Edmund (Lacy, 1417-1455) by divine pity Bishop of Exeter greeting, etc., etc. Desirous that the chapel of St. Peter the Apostle near the town of Tottoneys in our diocese shall be frequented by Christ's faithful, etc. We grant by these presents forty days indulgence to all repenting and confessing their sins who shall with devotion attend the said chapel and shall with a devout mind to the honour of God and of Saint Peter say there the Lord's prayer with the angelic salutation or who shall confer for the maintenance of the same any of their goods received of God. In witness of which our seal is appended (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 242).

Tot. Mun. Deed. Saturday before 25th March, 1423. May the present and future know that I Iohannes Colin senior in Great Totteneys have given, etc., to Thomas Foleford knight, Thomas Pomeray Esquire, Iohannes Fortescu Esquire, Lord Thoma Snak chaplain, Thoma Hexte Esquire and Willelmus Lappe tailor (*scissor*) all that my mesuage with adjoining curtilage, etc., in Great Totteneys which Iohannes Pycard formerly demanded from Iohannes Fealewyll. Which mesuage is situated between the tenement of the said Iohannes Colin on the east side and the tenement formerly of Willelmus Sayer on the west side and the high street (*altum vicum*) on the north side. To have and to hold, etc., of the

capital lords of that fee by service, etc., due. I have appended my seal. Witnessed by: 1 Iohannes Holbem senior; 2 Willelmus Row; 3 Ricardus Goldsmyth; 4 Rogerus Ing; 5 Dionisius Belworthy, and others. Dated at Totteneys on Saturday before the festival of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 49th year from the commencement of the reign of King Henry VI and in the 1st year of the resumption really of kingly power.

No tag or seal appended.

1423. In the Index to Rev. Hingeston-Randolph's transcription of the Institutions by Bishop Lacy, is the following reference :—

3rd May. The "*Prefeccio*" (profession) of Brother Nicholas Westgate, to be Prior (of Totnes) is recorded in *Archbishop Henry Chicheley's Register*, fo. 355*b*.

From reference to the Schedules of clerics cited to appear at the various Convocations of the clergy, it does not appear that Nicholaus Westgate was, even temporarily, appointed Prior of Totnes.

On the 5th June Sir Geoffrey Barger, Vicar of Clystone *alias* Brodeclyst, exchanged benefices with Master Roger Tokere, Rector of Stoke-Rivers, and was instituted by Bishop Lacy. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totnes (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 63).

22nd July. Licence granted to Iohannes Bowedon, Rector of Dertyngton, to absent himself for two years (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

8th September. Date of the will of John Hugh of Briggetounpomeray proved 24th August, 1431 (which date see).

1424. 9th April. On the death of Sir John Andrew, Rector of Ayschepryngtone (Ashprington). Sir Robert Gode chaplain was instituted by Bishop Lacy at Chudleigh. Patron "*hacvice*" John Bosone (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 78).

5th June. Robertus Gode, Rector of Ayschpryngton, is licensed to celebrate within the Chapels of St. David, St. James and St. John the Baptist, situated in the same parish (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

8th September. Iohannes Falewell and Agneta his wife are licensed to celebrate in the chapel at Falewelle in the parish of Rattre.

9th September. Magister Rogerus Toker, Vicar of Brodeclyst is licensed to celebrate in the chapels of St. James, St. Leonard and St. Katerina in the parish of Brodeclyst (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Tot. Court Roll, M36. Tuesday before 18th October, 1424. Two single membranes, one twenty-three inches by eight and a half inches, the other, twenty-three inches by three and a half inches.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held on Tuesday before the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 3rd Henry VI.

Twelve jurymen for the King. Iohannes Lovenetorre, Iohannes Harry, Henricus Antron, Iohannes Ewan, Iohannes Hamelyn, Petrus May, Walterus Nycholl, Willelmus Sopere, Thomas Goneton, Iohannes Harrysmyth, Iohannes Petard, Simon Mersh.

Who presented to the office of:—

Wardens of the Blessed Mary: Willelmus Tolk and Simon Webber.

Wardens of the Holy Cross: Walterus Hopere and Iohannes Mathu (opposite the above two names is written, Wardens of the Market).

Wardens of St. Leonard: Iohannes Robyn taylor and Ricardus Goleforde.

Wardens of the bridge: Thoma Goneton and Willemus Sopere.

Wardens of St. Peter: Michael Lecher and Petrus Savery.

Wardens of Mary Magdalene: Iohannes Laccher and Robertus Kent.

Wardens of Lechewille: Walterus Serle and Iohannes Pascow.

Wardens of swine outside the east gate: Iohannes Weston and Thoma Mourton.

Wardens of swine within the gates: Iohannes Nycholl and Ricardus Furbor.

Wardens of swine without the west gate: Bartholomeus Fays and Henricus Marshell.

To this court comes Iohannes Worthy and is admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton, etc., and gives to the lord as fine on his entry 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Walterus Redeclyf and Thoma Vele.

They present to the office of Mayor for this year, Iohannes Hyllyng; to the office of Receiver, Thoma Vele; to the office of Mayor's Bailiff, Willelmus Bearde, without his own assent.

21st December, 1424. Totteneys Court of Iohannes Hillyng held on Thursday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 3rd year Henry VI.

Ricardus Flaccher, 9*d.*, sells sour bread ("*vend pan' acrius*"). Iohannes Turnell, 4*d.*; Iohannes Frank, Rogerus Toteter (?), Iohannes Mathu, Thomas Morton, Michael Hecher webber, 6*d.*; Walterus Hopere, 6*d.*; Robertus Washborne (commuted by the Mayor), Ricardus Forbor, 2*d.*; Willelmus Doryng, 2*d.*; Iohanna Harperster (commuted by the Mayor); Robertus Bocher (?); Willelmus Taylor, 6*d.*; Iohannes Benet miller; Iohannes Huchon, 9*d.*; Iohannes Berd corniser; Willelmus Waryn, 4*d.*; Nicholaus Kent, 4*d.*; Alicia Dyer, 4*d.*; Iohannes Robert webber; Robertus Kent; Bartholomeus Vayse; Iohannes Ferror; Iohannes Lok; Iohannes Iagow; Thomas Bon, 4*d.*; Iohannes Ecur (?), 4*d.*; Willelmus Boys;

Laurencius Brasuter, *4d.*; Iohannes More, *lii tapp*, etc., Willelmus Gravitte, *4d.*; Henricus Carpenter through the same Willelmus.

Twelve jurymen for the King. Willelmus Gore dyer, Iohannes Lovenetorre, Iohannes Harry, Henricus Antron, Simon Mersh, Iohannes Harry smyth, Thomas Maulysh, Petrus Mayn, Walterus Nycoll, Iohannes Pascow, Iohannes Lacch, Iohannes Forde.

Who say that all the customs of Totton' constituted before this day should be observed in all things.

And they request a day for giving a verdict in open court on that day at the second hour after midday. At which hour comes Iohannes Lovenetorre, Iohannes Harry, Henricus Antron, Iohannes Henry smyth [*sic*], Thomas Moulyssh, Petrus Mayn, Walterus Nycoll, Iohannes Pascow, Iohannes Lacch, Willelmus Gore, Iohannes Forde, and Simon Mersh.

Tuesday after 6th January, 1425.

Totteneys. Law Court of Iohannes Hillyng, Mayor, held there on Tuesday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 3rd year Henry VI.

Twelve jurymen for the King. Willelmus More, Iohannes Perkyn, Iohannes Harry, Iohannes Ewan, Simon Mersh, Petrus Mayn, Walterus Nycoll, Iohannes Parys, Iohannes Petard, Thomas Maulyssh, Iohannes Eryssh, Stephanus Beldele.

Who say that whoever of the burg having the freedom of the Gild of Totton' should omit to come (*fac' def'*) to the Court of the Mayor of Totton when summoned to come to the same shall be fined according to the assessment doubly.

They say that all customs of the ville of Totton constituted before this day should be observed in all things.

22nd April, 1425.

Totteneys. Law Court of Iohannes Hyllyng, Mayor, held there on Tuesday on the eve of the festival of St. George in the 3rd year of Henry VI.

Twelve jurymen for the King. Walterus Redeclyf, Henricus Hert, Willelmus Gore, Iohannes Lovenetorre, Iohannes Harry, Walterus Nycoll, Ricardus Geffray, Vincencius Herberd, Robertus Wastell, Iohannes Worthy, Thomas Goneton, Iohannes Swayn.

Who say that Iohannes Coleton senior is present by the warrant of Hugo Courtenay one of the justices of peace of the Lord King in the matter against Walterus Redeclyf, Walterus Leghe, Henricus Antron, Iohannes Petyt, Ricardus Morgan, applying for a warrant to arrest them to procure the safety of the said justices of the peace, etc. This is against the usage and custom of the Gild of the burg of Totton and in forfeiture of the freedom of the Merchants Gild of Totton. And that the

same Iohannes Coleton has assisted and supported Iohannes his son in buying and selling in holding back dues from the Lord of Totton and the Mayor of the burg of Totton against the usage and custom of the burg and Gild of merchants of Totton. And they say that the aforesaid Iohannes Coleton and his descendants shall be expelled from the Merchants Gild of Totton'.

They say that the ordinations and constitutions of the Mayor and Community of the ville of Totton made, ordained and constituted before this day shall be observed in all things.

Reverse of membrane:

They say that Petrus Petard "*rec*'," Iohannes le Cornelle, frater de Werlond, Iohannes de . . . , Willelmus Talberd, Iohannes Weston senior and Walterus Weston, Willelmus Gore, Iohannes . . . , Thomas and Stephanus his servants, Robertus (?) Simon, Iohannes Mody, Rogerus and Iohannes his sons, Thomas . . , Iohannes Lovenetorre, Michaelus Leche, Iohannes Coule, Iohannes . . , Iohannes Kok, Thomas Goneton, Iohannes his servant, Vincencius Herberd, Iohannes . . , and Petrus his servant, Willelmus Sopere, Willelmus Kene, Walterus Legh Andreas and . . , his servants, Thomas Vele and Galfridus his servant, Willelmus Hannok, Iohannes his servant, Iohannes Bon (this name written twice), Iohannes Bocher, Robertus his servant, Iohannes Thomas, Iohannes Dybel, Nicholaus corniser, Thomas his servant, Iohannes Ewan, Petrus Swet, Walterus Tolk, Iohannes his servant, Thomas Souche, Iohannes Nevys, Iohannes his servant, Willelmus Taylor, Alanus and Willelmus his servants, Petrus Mayn, Walterus Mayn of Greater Totton, Thomas Mann, Willelmus Bearde, Iohannes Petard, Iohannes Berd, Henricus Cheswill, Iohannes his servant, Margareta Swayn, Robertus Greyhod, Robertus Ke . . , Iohannes and . . , his servants, Willelmus Lester, Willelmus his servant, Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes his servant, Iohannes Harrysmyth, Iohannes his servant, Patricius Mark, Ricardus his son, Iohannes Pascow, Willelmus Boys, Willelmus Simon and Robertus his servant, . . . Dybbe webber, together with Rogerus Kole (?), Walterus Nycoll, Iohannes Eliot, Walterus Rop, Iohannes Rop are in arrears therefore to be distrained.

They say that Iohannes Hille carries the bell as crier (*orator*) of the Mayor and Community of Totton without the licence of the Mayor and therefore they say that the aforesaid Iohannes ought to give up the bell to the aforesaid Mayor at the bench (the word is probably intended for "*scannum*," "*inter quatuor scanna*" used elsewhere) of the Gildhall of Totton.

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And the Mayor and Community of the ville of Totton' should give the aforesaid to whomever they please just as is the usage and has been for time out of mind the custom of the ville of Totton. And moreover it was represented to the bailiff of the Mayor to make sure that the aforesaid Iohannes Hille should surrender the bell to the aforesaid Mayor at the aforesaid bench. And moreover the Mayor's bailiff warned the said Iohannes to give up the bell, etc. And the same Iohannes Hille forthwith without restraint came to the Gildehall aforesaid and brought the bell and surrendered it to the Mayor on the bench (*super scannam*) of the Gildehall. And after the aforesaid Iohannes Hille begged the Mayor and Community of the ville of Totton that they should give him the aforesaid crier's bell for the sake of charity. And the aforesaid Mayor and the whole Community of the ville aforesaid granted him the bell and thus the same bell was given by the Mayor.

Thomas Maulyssh, 2*d.*; Petrus Petard, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 2*d.*; Iohannes Symon mercer, 2*d.*; Walterus Hughe, 2*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 2*d.*; Iohannes Gerard, 2*d.*; Stephanus Pyers, 2*d.*; Hugo Hervase, 2*d.*; Iohannes Eryssh, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hawell bucher, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bon haropere, 2*d.*; Iohannes Nores, 2*d.*; Henricus Antron, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Gibbe, 2*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ewan, 2*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 2*d.*; Simon Mersh, 2*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 2*d*; Iohannes Aylmer, 2*d.*; Iohannes Nevys, 2*d.*; Petrus Mayn, 2*d.*; Thomas Newlyng, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 2*d.*; Iohannes Lacch, 2*d.*; Ricardus Hoygg, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 2*d.*; Iohannes Harry smyth, 2*d.*; Patricius Mark, 2*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 2*d.*; Walterus Roop, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; are in mercy because they did not come to this Court although they were summoned.

Tuesday after 24th August, 1425.

Totteneys. Court of Iohannes [*sic*] the Mayor, held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. Bartholomew the Apostle in the 3rd year of Henry VI.

To this Court came Iohannes Boly and is admitted to the Gild, etc., and gives on his entrance 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Iohannes Hyllyng and Henricus Hert.

✠ The Bailiff presents that Henricus Chesewill sold 3 pipes of wine in a tavern without licence of the Mayor therefore he pays the Mayor 5*s.* according to the custom of the burg.

✠ Item that the aforesaid Henricus sold contumaciously bread, beer and other goods without the licence of the Mayor or paying the custom

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against the usage of the burg therefore he is in mercy (in margin, 6*s.* 8*d.*)

(The following entry is crossed out):

21st December, 1425.

Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Friday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 4th year Henry VI.

To this Court came Isabella widow of Willelmus Chesewille per Henricus Bastard chaplain and Thomas Robert in their own persons and rendered into the hands of the Mayor the freedom of the Gild of Merchants of Totton and on retiring gave nothing to the Mayor according to the custom of the burg (in margin the word "*farlene*").

1424-5.

Totteneys. Roll of the freedom there in the time of Iohannes Hillyng Mayor in the 3rd year of Henry VI.

Thomas Sumpter, Petrus de Seris, Ricardus Morgan, 2*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, 3*d.*; Petrus Petard, 1*d.*; Petrus Savery, 3*d.*; Henricus Hert, 5*d.*; Rosa Symon, 3*d.*; Iohannes Petyt, 2*d.*; Rogerus Wyse, 4*d.*; Iohannes Swyte, 2*d.*; Agatha Enok, ½*d.*; Iohannes Comber, 1*d.*; Stephanus Simon, ½*d.*; Ricardus Herberd, 1*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 3*d.*; Rogerus Coleton, 1*d.*; Iohannes Pylle, 1*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Symon, 2*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 3*d.*; Willelmus Sopere, 3*d.*; Walterus Leghe, 3½*d.*; Bernardus Gambaud, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lovenetorre, 3*d.*; Thomas Vele, 4*d.*; Simon Turkes, ½*d.*; Thomas Goneton, 3*d.*; Iohannes Gerard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Harry, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Hannok, 3½*d.*; Stephanus Pyers, 3*d.* Total 5*s.* 10½*d.*

Assessors, (blank). Collector, Vincencius Baker.

Within the gates:

Willelmus Ryder, 4*d.*; Iohannes Swayn, 1*d.*; Hugo Hornese, 4*d.*; Iohannes Iryssh, 2*d.*; Willelmus Core dyer, 5*d.*; Iohannes Howell bocher, 3*d.*; Iohannes Bon, 2*d.*; Cibilla Hawle, 1*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Nores, 2*d.*; Iohannes Debele, 2*d.*; Ricardus Goleford, 2*d.*; Mabilla May (blank); Henricus Antron, 3*d.*; Walterus Redeclif, 5*d.*; Agneta Redeclif, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Gibbe, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Knolle, 1*d.*; Robertus Midderhille, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hillyng, 5*d.*; Iohannes Gambou, 1*d.*; Iohannes Robyn, 4*d.*; Ricardus Geffray, 4*d.*; Stephanus Beldele, 3*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 5*d.*; Walterus Tolk, 4*d.*; Iohannes Ewan, 3*d.*; Ricardus Iakeman, 1*d.*; Simon Mersh, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, 2*d.*; Iohannes Shyple, 5*d.*; Iohannes Sebryzt, 1*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 3*d.*; Willelmus Tolk, 4*d.*; Iohannes Aylmer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Nevys, 5*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 1*d.*; Petrus Mayn. 2*d.*; Willelmus Bearde, 1*d.*; Thomas Newlyng, 1*d.*; Rogerus Grega, ½*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 2*d.*; Vincencius Hagg, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hardyng, 2*d.*; Iohannes

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Gotelynch. 2*d.*; Iohannes Lacch, 1*d.*; Isabell Chesewill, ½*d.*; Gervasius Frensh, 6*d.*; Iohannes Rydon, 4*d.*; Thomas Boly, 1*d.*; Ricardus Saunder, ½*d.*; Iohannes Kes, ½*d.* Total 10*s.* (?) 6*d.*

Reverse of membrane:

Assessors, (not entered). Collector, Iohannes Hakewill.

Without the west gate:

Ricardus Hoygg, 3*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 3*d.*; Willelmus Lester, 3½*d.*; Margeria Dunstorr, ½*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 1*d.*; Iohanna Rog, 1*d.*; Iohannes Harrysmyth, 2*d.*; Iohannes Parys, 1*d.*; Petrus Mark, 2*d.*; Rogerus Stacy, 1*d.*; Hugo Julian, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 3*d.*; Walterus Roop, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, 1½*d.*; Thomas Roberd, 1*d.*; Walterus Nycholl, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Bowedon, 3*d.*; Parva Totton, 6*d.*; Browneburgh, 3*d.*; Tybecomb, 3*d.* Total, 3*s.* 11*d.*

Assessor, (not entered). Collector, Nicholaus Clarke. Sum total, 20*s.* 2½*d.*

19th April, 1425.

Bishop Edmund Lacy, from Bodmin, addressed a letter to Lord Iohannes Winterborne, Rector of Charleton, and to Magister Iohannes Carnell, bachelor of laws. Lord Willelmus Clyf (Clyffe *alias* Pecoke instituted 24th July, 1423, died 1431. *Reg. Bp. Lacy*, Vol. 1, p. 65) Rector of the parish church at Stokynham had informed him that his predecessor, Magister Edwardus Prentys, had left everything in a very bad state of repair. The Bishop orders the above to assist him as far as is in their power (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

16th September, 1425.

Robertus Gode, Rector of Ayschpryngton, is granted license of non-residence from the festival of St. Michael next for one year.

On the same day the Archdeacon of Totnes or his official is commissioned to inquire into the defects to be found in the houses, walls and enclosures of the parish church of Ayschpryngton.

18th October.

At Clyst, Bishop Lacy licensed Lord Willelmus Comber, Vicar of Stokynham (Totnes Priory received XX*s.* annually from this church, see p. 253), to celebrate in the chapels of St. Leonard and St. Brendoc within his parish. He resigned on a pension of eight marks in 1447.

The Rector was patron of the Vicar of Stokynham, and the first Vicar appointed seems to have been Iohannes Pege, of whom the parishioners complained, in August, 1373, that he was never in residence (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 306). The Bishop evidently deposed him, and admitted on the 16th June, 1374, Lord William, son of Robert Fitz-Nicholas of Clifton, chaplain, of the diocese of York (*ibidem*, fo. 147).

The parishioners of Shirforde, in 1380, petitioned the Bishop against

Lord Willelmus Clistone, Vicar of Stokenham (*Reg. Bp. Brantyngham*, fo. 432). He held the living, however, until his death in 1395.

Brooking Rowe Collectanea, Deed 12. 1426.

Monday after the feast of the Ascension (5th May), 4 Henry VI.

William Tolk de Totton to Richard Tulker and Agnes his wife.

Assignment of lease of house situated in Exon near the Priory of St. Nicholas, granted to the said William Tolk by John Sutham Prior of Totton for a term of 80 years at a rent of 6*s.* 8*d.* per annum. Given at Exeter. Robert Veysey, Mayor of Exeter, one of the witnesses.

6th June. A letter addressed to the Archdeacon of Tottonia states that Petrus Frye and the parishioners of the chapel of St. Petrus de Bokelond, depending upon the mother church of Lodyswille, have petitioned that the chapel should be distinct from the mother church. The Archdeacon is to obtain particulars (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

24th July, 1426.

In a list for the taxation of benefices in the diocese of Exeter, the following occur:—

The Archdeaconry of Tottonia is estimated at xxxm.

The church of Hempston Parva cis.

The vicarage of Byrypomeray cis.

The vicarage of Hurberton ten m.

The vicarage of Stokynham ten m.

The parish church of Churstowe cxs.

The parish church of Totnes is omitted altogether from the list (*ibidem*).

20th September, 1426.

At Peyngton Bishop Lacy licensed Robertus Frensch and his wife (name not mentioned) to celebrate in a suitable place in their dwelling-house of Scherpham, in the parish of Aysshpryngton.

Iohannes Frenssh was chaplain of St. Saviour's, Dertemouth, in 1441.

8th October, 1426.

Robertus Gode, Rector of Aysshpryngton, receives license to be absent from his church until the festival of St. Michael following. On the 4th October, 1429, he again receives license until the festival of the Purification following (*ibidem*).

Tot. Pr. Deed cliv. 1427.

To all the faithful, etc., Michelus Lercedekne Treasurer of the Cathedral church of Exeter formerly Rector of the church of Haccombe greeting.

Be it known that I have quit claimed, etc., to Walterus Prydeaux, etc., all my right which I have, etc., in all mesuages, lands, tenements, rents and services in Mayneston in the manor of Compton Gyffard within the

hundred of Kenburgh, etc., etc. And I the aforesaid Michelus undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present.

Witnessed by:

1 Iacobus Chudlegh; 2 Iohannes Page; 3 Willelmus Elyot; 4 Michelus Frodon; 5 Walterus Reda, and others.

Dated at Exeter the eleventh of May in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth (11th May, 1427).

On reverse in Latin: "Mayneslond in the parish of Compton Giffurd." In English: "Releve to Walter Prideaux."

Appended perfect impression of small round seal. Within a border of rope design, a cross Moline, with flat ends; in centre over the cross, a circle probably intended for the crown of thorns; between the arms of cross are letters difficult to determine, the first is E.

Tot. Pr. Deed clv. 1427.

Be it known, etc., that we Hugo Palmer and Alicia my wife, daughter and heir of Willelmus Taylleur and Editha his wife, daughter and heir of Robertus Fayreweder have given, etc., to Thoma Tregold park-keeper of Dertyngton all mesuages, lands and tenements, etc., in Nythergabwyll. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lords of that fief. And we the aforesaid Hugo and Alicia my wife undertake to warranty, etc. In witness of which thing we have appended our seals to the presents.

Witnessed by:

1 Robertus Lytelton; 2 Willelmus Gylberd; 3 Willelmus Werthe; 4 Iohannes Lusshere; 5 Iohannes Holecombe, and many others.

Dated at Nythergabwell on Thursday the festival of the Apostles Philippus and Iacobus in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth (1st May, 1427).

On reverse: "Nyther Gabwyll." In Latin: "Charter of Palmer made to Tregold on account of Nethergabwill."

Appended two parchment tags. To first the seal of Totnes Priory (which suggests that the deed was drawn up by the scribe of the Priory). The second seal is a small impression possibly of a signet ring, with no inscription, showing a "crosslet" with long stem fixed in cross frame.

Higher and Lower Gabwell are in the parish of Stoke-in-Teignhead. Judging by the references to descent, Lower Gabwell was successively in the possession of Fayreweder, Taylleur and Palmer by marriage, and in 1427 Tregold.

Tot. Mun. Deed. Monday after 20th July, 1427.

May the present and future know that we Iohannes Falewell and Agnes my wife have given to Willelmus Ryder, Walterus Redclyff, Thomas Veale, Iohannes Worthy, Ricardus Hoigg, Iohannes Hamelyn, and Iohannes Burhed a certain annual rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* received in Great Totteneys from the land and tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn near the bridge which Iohannes Petit now holds for 20*d.* (payable) at the festival of St. Michael. And from our tenement with garden adjoining situated outside the west gate between the tenement formerly of Henricus Goion on the north side and the way which leads towards Volaton (Follaton) on the south side and between the Kingsway which leads towards Harperyswell on the east side and the other way which is called Hollane on the south side. And also likewise from a close adjoining the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene on the west side and the close of the Lord of Little Totteneys on the east side and the way which leads towards the chapel of St. Peter on the south side, 11*s.* 8*d.* sterling at the four principal terms just as Patricius Mark now the tenant pays us annually. To have and to hold for ever, etc. Clause of distraint. Clause of warranty. We the aforementioned Iohannes Falewell and Agnes my wife have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Edwardus Pomeray; 2 Iohannes Shapwyk; 3 Henricus Beare; 4 Ricardus Piperell; 5 Iohannes Bastard; 6 Iohannes Hilling; 7 Henricus Hert Mayor of the burg of Totton; 8 Ricardus Smyth provost of the same burg; 9 Willelmus Tolk; 10 Walterus Tolk; 11 Iohannes Harry; 12 Henricus Antron; 13 Iohannes Robyn, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Monday after the festival of Saint Margaret the Virgin in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth.

Appended two seals. The first three-quarter inch diameter; within a garland border a shield, on a bend three water bougets, the remaining space on shield occupied by two branches. The second seal thirteen-sixteenths of an inch diameter; within an inscription, a figure holding two combs to sinister, to dexter a thistle; probably the wool comber's mark. On reverse "Iohannes Falewyll 20*d.* per annum: Church. The house wherein Clements Monamy sometymes dwelled N119, 1610."

The reference to "Church" in the endorsement and the large number of trustees suggest that the above property was an endowment in perpetuity of the parish church.

31st August, 1427.

Will of Rogerus Bachiler, Rector of the parish church of Churstowe, among other bequests:

To the store of St. Edmund of Kyngesbrug x marcs.

To the store of St. Mary the Virgin of Churstow xii (the value is omitted, a complete line of the original Latin being apparently missed out, which shows this to be a copy).

For painting (*ad pingendum ymaginem*) the image of the Blessed Mary of Churstow in the chancel (just such a figure, probably, as was found hidden behind plaster in the chancel of Abbotskerswell).

To the lepers of Tavystok, Plympton and Totton', to each house xl*d.*

To the nuns of Cornwode vi*s.* viii*d.*

To the repair of the bridge of Totton xl*d.*, etc.

To the building of the bridge of Aveton Giffard, c*s.*

(*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*, orig. fo. 500).

1427. 27th September. On the resignation of Frater Hugh Heynys, warden of the chapel of the Holy Ghost at Warlond near Tottonia, Frater William Nywentone "of the house or monastery of Eston of the order of the Holy Trinity, of the diocese of Salisbury," was collated by Bishop Lacy at Chudleigh "according to the custom of the foundation and ordination of the said chapel" (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 95).

Eston, according to Tanner (fo. 607), near Burbach (h.d. Burboge) or Marlborough in Wiltshire. It was probably the nearest house of the order to Totnes, and was granted 28th Henry VIII to Sir Edward Seymor, Viscount Beauchamp. The last Prior, John Brian, received an annual pension of 6*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, which he was still receiving in 1553. Many of the Sturmys and Seymors are said to be buried in the Priory precincts.

Tot. Pr. Deed clvi. This parchment is attached to two others, clxiv, 1459, and clxx, 1471.

1428. Tottenes.

At the Law Court held there on Monday in the octave of the Epiphany of the Lord in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry VI.

Twelve jurymen on behalf of the King, namely 1 Iohannes Lovenetorre; 2 Iohannes Harrysmyth; 3 Stephanus Beldele; 4 Vincencius Herberd; 5 Iohannes Petard; 6 Willelmus Hannok; 7 Henricus Antronne; 8 Iohannes Borhed; 9 Petrus Mayn; 10 Iohannes Pascow; 11 Walterus Nycoll; 12 Iohannes Ford taylour, represent that Iohannes Kyng has diverted the water descending from Happeryswylle towards the moat of the castle of Tottonia outside its proper course therefore he is in the mercy (of the lord) as appears in the rolls of the same Court, etc. 7th January, 1428.

Tot. Mun. Deed. Thursday after 3rd May, 1428.

Be it known that I Walterus Tolke of Tottenys merchant undertake to pay Iohannes Hillyng merchant of the same town ten pounds sterling at the festival of St. Michael the Archangel next. I have appended my seal. Dated on Thursday after the festival of the Finding of the Holy Cross in the sixth year of the reign of King Henry VI.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the house of the aforesaid Iohannes built on the tenement of the aforesaid Walterus and the "guttur" of the aforesaid Iohannes lying upon the wall of the tenement of the aforesaid Walterus shall remain undisturbed, etc., etc.

Appended cut strip from deed from which seal has been broken.

Tot. Mun. Deed. Monday before 25th December, 1428.

Be it known that I Agatha who was the wife of Iohannes Come of Totteneys "skynner" in my widowhood have given to Iohannes Mathu *alias* Cohuk and Katherina his wife all my tenement in Great Totteneys situated between the tenement formerly of Iohannes Pleder now of Simon Carpynter on the east side and the tenement formerly of Ricardus Bruer now of Iohannes Petard on the west side, likewise with a garden lying near the said tenement between the garden formerly belonging to the aforesaid Agatha on the east side and "le northerebastewall" on the south side and the garden of Iohannes Symon on the west side and the garden formerly of Ricardus Bruere on the north side which property the aforesaid Iohannes Mathu *alias* Cohuk and Katherina his wife formerly held. To have and to hold, etc., paying to me Agatha an annual rent of ten *solidi* sterling. Clause of distraint. Clause of warranty. The parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Rider then Mayor of Totteneys; 2 Henricus Hert; 3 Walterus Redeclyf; 4 Iohannes Hyllyng; 5 Thoma Vele, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Monday before the festival of the Lord's Nativity in the seventh year of the reign of King Henry the sixth.

Appended two seals. The first is identical with the impression attached to Totnes Municipal Deed E, date 1433, a quit-claim by Matilda, widow of Iohannes Ayllemere to Ricardus Tuker, and therefore apparently not related to the parties in above grant; the seal is probably that of a religious guild, and is of very crude design; the first word of inscription, in rough letters, is IESUS, followed by seven letters undecipherable. The second seal is the small impression probably of a ring with harp-shaped device.

1429. 5th March. On the resignation of Master Walter Wadham, Vicar of Brixham, Sir John Abelle, chaplain, was instituted by Bishop Lacy at Chudleigh. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totnes (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 116).

Tot. Pr. Deed cliii. *post* 1429. *ante* 1443. A neatly written parchment, eleven inches by ten inches, containing forty-three lines.

A petition for the hearing by Henry Archbishop of Canterbury and Legate of the Apostolic See of the case of the Prior and Convent of Tottonia of the order of St. Benedict against Iohannes Abell perpetual Vicar of the parish church of Brixham concerning the obligation of the Vicar of Brixham to serve the chapel of the village or hamlet of Kyngeswere.

The parchment does not bear a date, but Henry Chicheley was Archbishop of Canterbury 1414-1443, and Iohannes Abell, formerly a curate of Brixham, was only created Vicar in 1429. From the tenour of the deed, it was probably written soon after his appointment and certainly between the years 1429 and 1443.

Tot. Mun. Deed N (2). Monday before 1st August, 1430. Tottenes. Court held there on Monday before the festival of St. Peter called "*ad vincula*" (1st August) in the 8th year of King Henry VI.

The provost presents that Ricardus Tukker and Agnes his wife had purchased a tenement with a stall in Tottenes from Willelmus Cloveneburgh clerk, Thoma Soche, Iohannes Kyris otherwise called Skys and Iohanna his wife and Alicia wife of Iohannes Donryssh. To have and to hold by rent and service due to the capital lords of that fee, etc. And faithfully to fulfil, etc. And they are admitted. Tax 14½ *denarii.*

Monday after 7th July, 1431. Tottones. Court held there on Monday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr in the 9th year of the reign of King Henry VI.

Willelmus Cloveneburgh clerk, Thomas Soche, Iohannes Kyris otherwise called Skys and Iohanna his wife and Alicia wife of Iohannes Donryssh are in the mercy of the Lord for licence of agreement with Ricardus Tukker and Agneta his wife in plea of covenant broken. Fine 3 *denarii.*

This is the final agreement made in full (Court) of Tottenes between the four benches of the Gildhalle held there on Monday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr in the 9th year of the reign of King Henry VI before Henricus Hert Mayor of Tottenes, Iohannes Assk seneschal there, Iohannes Bastard de Bronneburgh, Willelmus Ryder, Walterus Tolk, Iohannes Hillyng, Iohannes Parkyn, Iohannes Nevys, Petrus Mayn, Iohannes Burhed, Willelmus Tolk, Iohannes Worthy, Hugo

Horvese, Henricus Antron and other faithful of the King present, between Ricardus Tukker and Agneta his wife plaintiffs and Willelmus Cloveneburgh clerk, Thomas Soche, Iohannes Kyris otherwise called Skys, and Iohanna his wife and Alicia wife of Iohannes Donryssh defendants concerning a tenement with stalls in Tottenes. Plea of covenant was summoned between them namely that the aforesaid defendants recognise the aforesaid tenements to be the right of Ricardus and his wife Agneta and that they have the same by gift from the defendants who quit claim to them for ever. To hold by service due to the capital lords of that fee. And for this quit claim, etc., the aforesaid Ricardus and Agnes have given the defendants twenty pounds sterling. And they have paid to the Lord the fine (in margin XII *denarii*). The seal of the Mayor and Commonalty of the ville of Tottenes on the personal request of the defendants is appended. Dated as above.

Large red seal two and a quarter inches diameter appended, showing a three-towered gate-house, a key on either side with inscription around.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,280. 1431.

Monday after 24th August. To this Court comes John Hardibien and proffers to the Court at the hand of the Mayor the following will of John Hugh senior of Briggeton Pomeray.

Will dated Wednesday in the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (8th September), 1423 of John Hugh of Briggetounpomeray "helier." Bequeaths to William, Vicar of Buripomeray, for tithes forgotton 6*d.*; to the warden of the fabric of the church of St. Mary the Virgin of Totnes 12*d.* yearly rent for ever to be levied from his tenement with curtilage in Great Totton' outside the east gate on the south side of the High Street of the said town at the back of William Carpenter's tenement, between the tenement of the said William on the north side and the tenement of Stephen Piers on the south side, to hold therefor the obit of the said Robert (?) Hugh and Alice his wife for ever (probably his parents); to his wife Isabella the said tenement with curtilage for her life, to hold of the chief lords by rents and services due therefor with remainder after her death to John his son and his heirs and assigns; the residue of his goods to Isabella his said wife. He appoints as his executors William Cloveburgh Vicar of Byry Pomeray and his said wife Isabella.

Sealed by John Hardybien sponsor of the said Isabella.

Witnessed by:

1 Henry Hert Mayor of the burg of Totnes; 2 William Ryder; 3 Richard Hoigg warden of the store of the said church.

Tot. Mun. Deed.

On strong thick paper:

Monday after 8th September, 1431

May the present and future know that I Henricus Bastard chaplain have given, etc., to Henricus Antron and Iohanna his wife and Isabella their daughter all that my tenement with curtilage in Great Tottenes within the gates situated between the tenement of Iohannes Combe and Alicia his wife on the north side and my own tenement on the south side and the high street (*summum vicum*) of the ville on the east side and the portion of a curtilage which Henricus Chesewyll and Elizabet his daughter hold by gift and feofment from me on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., rendering to the lord of that capital fee service, etc., due and paying me annually during my lifetime sixty *solidi* sterling. And if Isabella dies without heirs the tenement shall revert to Agneta her sister with remainder to Cristina their sister, with further remainder to Matillus their sister, with further remainder to Ricardus Flaccher and Mabilla his wife, with further remainder to the heirs of Petrus Bastard in default of issue. Clause of warranty. The parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Henricus Herte Mayor of Tottenes; 2 Willelmus Rider; 3 Iohannes Worthy then provost of the burg of Tottenes; 4 Iohannes Perkyn (or Parkyn); 5 Iohannes Hyllyng, and many others. Dated at Tottenes on Monday after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the tenth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth.

22nd August, 1432.

On reverse, in another handwriting: "On the 22nd day of August in the year below mentioned Iohanna Lappe and Willelmus Lappe the parties below mentioned in the chapel of the Blessed Mary of Plympton before the below mentioned commission personally appeared and (showed) that the aforesaid Iohanna could not produce the witnesses which she had in this business. By consent of the said parties the commission appointed Friday next after the festival of St. Matthew the Apostle for the said Iohanna to produce her witnesses in the parish church of Oggeburgh.

No seals appended; the document is doubtless a copy of deed.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,251, 1431.

Monday before 6th November. Henry Bastard chaplain grants to John Gerard and Walter Hoper keepers of the light of the Holy Cross in the parish church of Tottonia a yearly rent of 3 *solidi* to be levied on a grange with a moiety of a curtilage in Great Tottenes outside the west gate by the road leading from Totnes to Brounborgh on the north and east sides and the land of John Harry and Alana his wife on the south and west sides. Which grange and moiety of a curtilage Henry Bastard chaplain had by enfeofment of Geoffrey Malston chaplain. To have and to hold, etc., for a term of 98 years. Grantor appended his seal.

Witnessed by:

1 John Shapwyk Mayor of the burg of Totton'; 2 Henry Hert; 3 John Hillyng; 4 William Row; 5 John Burhed.

Dated Monday before the festival of St. Leonard the Abbot in the 10th year of Henry VI.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,252. 1431. Monday after 11th November. Henry Hert of Tottenes quit-claims to William Beard and Thomasina his wife all his right in a tenement with curtilage in which Richard Iakeman dwells in Great Tottenes within the gates and between the tenement of John Worthy on the east and the tenement of the heir of Walter Thoreslegh on the west side and between the High Street on the north and "les Bastwallys" on the south. Which tenement the grantor lately had by release of right of Robert Hert of Wodelegh and Roger Baylly of Bryxham. Henry Hert has appended his seal.

Witnessed by:

1 John Shapwyk Mayor of the burg of Tottenes; 2 John Hillyng; 3 John Parkyn; 4 William Rou; 5 Thomas Ford provost of the said burg, and others.

Dated at Tottenes on Monday after the festival of St. Martin in the 10th year of King Henry VI.

1432. 22nd July. Dom Petrus Holdich, Vicar of Lodiswill, receives license to celebrate in any suitable place in his parish (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

9th September. Bishop Lacy granted an Indulgence to those contributing *ad novæ ecclesiæ de Totton' ædificationem et constructionem*. The original instrument was discovered in the room over the church porch after the storm of 21st February, 1799, when, as in 1634, the south-east pinnacle of the tower was struck by lightning and part of the church roof destroyed. The writer has not found a confirmation of this Indulgence in the Common Register of Bishop Lacy, but in Dr. Oliver's time the original was in possession of the Ven. Archdeacon Froude (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, Add. Supp., fo. 20).

18th November. The will of Willelmus Rider de Totton'. I wish my body to be buried in the cemetery of the church of the Blessed Mary of Totton in the processional path near the church of the Prior and Convent of Totton' opposite the great altar of the said church. I will to the Prior of Totton for ten masses xl*d.*; to every monk of the said Priory vi*d.*; to Iohannes Dollebery Vicar of Totton' xx*d.* to pray for my soul; to the fabric of St. Mary of Totton one new *gradala* (see page 254) on condition that they place my name and that of Iohanna my wife and of our parents

on the anniversary of St. George de Totton annually named and celebrated among others; to the fabric of St. Mary of Totton 12*d.*; to the work of the bridge of Totton' 12*d.*; to the work of St. Peter of Totton' 6*d.*; to the brethren lepers of St. Mary Magdalene of Totton 6*d.*; to the light of the Holy Cross in the chancel of Totton 6*d.*; to the light of the new Cross there 6*d.*; to the light of the Cross in the pulpit (in pulpito) 6*d.*; to Iohannes Rider son of Robertus Rider senior 1 share; to Iohannes Rider son of the said Robertus Rider junior 1 share (*i.e.* two brothers named Iohannes); to Ricardus Rider son of the said Robertus 1 share, so that the shares aforesaid shall be at the discretion of my executors. I will, etc., that all that my tenement, etc., together with the empty place between the said tenement and the Gyldhallia of Totton' shall be sold by Iohanna my wife or by my executors and by the executors of the same Iohanna. And that the money (*denarii*) thus received shall be spent for my soul and that of Iohanna my wife and of our parents and for the souls of all the faithful departed. I will to Iohanna my wife all the aforesaid tenement with empty place, etc., together with all my mesuages, lands and tenements in Magna Tottonia which I received by gift and feofment of Henricus Frye together with all interest (*statu et termino*) I have in a grange and garden in Happeryswillestrete. I will to Iohanna my wife all my lease (*terminum*) of sixty years which I have in a tenement in Magna Totton' which I had by grant of the Mayor and Community of Totton and of the wardens of the light of the Holy Cross in the chancel there for the remainder of the lease. And to the said Iohanna one small tenement adjoining (*annexum*) "ad le Almeshowse" together with the empty place adjoining which I had by gift, feofment and will of Robertus Mathu and Elena his wife. I will that the said Iohanna should pay to the work of the new church of Totton' (*operi nove ecclesie de Totton'*) xl*s.* which I have promised to pay to the same work if the parishioners of Totton complete the said work. And likewise 34*s.* 8*d.* which I have promised to pay to the same work within four years just as other parishoners have done if the said work can be completed namely on any Sunday 2*d.*; provided always that if I by my own hands have paid part of the said 34*s.* 8*d.* as appears in the Rolls of the collectors which part the said Iohanna is not obliged to pay. The remainder of my goods, etc., I leave to my wife Iohanna and I appoint as my executor Iohannes Bowdon Rector of Dertyngton and as supervisor Edwardus Legh.

Probate of the above will was granted at Chuddelegh by Bishop Edmund Lacy on the 6th February, 1433, to Iohanna the widow and to

Iohannes Bowdon, Rector of Dertyngton (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*, orig. Vol. iii, fo. 502).

1433. On the death of Sir Henry Bastarde chaplain, Sir Geoffrey Vele was instituted on 11th March at Chudleigh, as Warden of the chapel of St. Edmund King and Martyr, situated *at the end of* the bridge of the town of Tottonia. Patron Sir William Lord de la Zouch de Sancto Mauro, de Tottenesse and de Haryngworthe (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 153).

Tot. Mun. Deed E. 14th April, 1433. Be it known, etc., that I Matilda formerly the wife of Iohannes Ayllemere in my widowhood have quit claimed to Ricardus Tuker his heirs and assigns all my right in one mesuage and one garden, etc., in Great Totteneys near the north gate of the same ville which formerly belonged to Willelmus Beancomb [*sic*] and Juliana his wife and lie between the close of the Lord of Totton on the east and south sides and the garden of Henricus Antron and Iohanna his wife on the north side and the King's way on the west side. So that, etc., I have appended my seal, etc.

Witnessed by:

1 Henricus Hert then Mayor of Totton'; 2 Simon Merssh; 3 Iohannes Hamelyn; 4 Walterus Mayon'; 5 Iohannes Burhed, and others.

Dated on Saturday the festival of St. Valentine in the eleventh year of King Henry VI.

Appended red wax seal of crude workmanship. In centre a female figure seated with two figures, head and body only, possibly meant to be kneeling on either side. A very badly cut inscription surrounds all; diameter about three-quarters of an inch (see seal attached to Totnes Municipal Deed, A.D. 1428, page 360).

Tot. Pr. Deed clviii. 1433. Be it known that we Robertus Edouart and Iohannes Pit Englishmen from Dertremue, etc., are under obligation to the honest man Ricardus de Bello Campo de Insula who has provided eight *libri* and ten *solidi* sterling of English money for the redemption and freeing of our bodies from the men of St. Michael from whom the said Ricardus has ransomed us. We undertake to remit to the said Ricardus or his attorney within the festival of the Panthecostos next approaching holding all our goods responsible for the same. To which Thoma Stiquelent and Iohannes Strangnes Englishmen with many others bear witness.

Dated under the sign manual of the honest man Master Matheus Hubertus together with the seal of Petrus Lambert citizen of Maclomeum at our request appended in witness of the vow recorded on the last day of the month of April A.D. 1433 (30th April).

The name Hubert is written over three upright strokes with ornamented tops joined by cross strokes of the pen.

Appended to parchment strip cut from deed is a red circular seal one inch diameter. Central device shows:—on a shield, to a label of three points, two crescents suspended to dexter and sinister chief; from the central point descends a chevron, enclosing possibly a star, but somewhat obliterated. Inscription round seal is difficult to determine, but probably records the seal of Petrus Lambert. Machlovium was a port in Brittany, possibly h.d. Morlaix.

Tot. Pr. Deed clvii.
1433.

Be it known, etc., we Iohannes Southam Prior of the Priory of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place have given, etc., to Thoma Io(ha)n and to Petronilla his wife of Kynggyswere one acre of land in our land of Kynggyswere which Willelmus Geffray held lying between the place formerly of Willelmus Ryvell on the south side and the King's road which leads towards Bryxham on the east side and the sea there on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., whilst rendering annually to us, etc., eight *denarii* for all secular service at the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary. If the aforesaid Thomas and Petronilla die without heirs the aforesaid acre shall revert to us and we the Prior and Convent undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing the said Prior as well as the said Iohannes and Petronilla have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus Smyth; 2 Iohannes Davy; 3 Petrus Payn; 4 Iohannes Ketonn; 5 Iohannes Seynt Iohann; 6 Michael Crabbe, and others.

Dated at Totonia in our Chapter House on the festival of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist in the eleventh year of the reign of King Henry the sixth (24th June, 1433).

Appended to parchment tag one seal showing three full-length canopied figures; there is no inscription, and the seal is not very clear, but it is probably a seal of Totnes Priory, though differing from the previous.

This deed was stitched together with Deed No. clxix, dated 1470, probably referring to the same acre of ground.

1433.

16th July. On the resignation of Master John Typhaine (in the person of Master Augustine Strode, his proctor), Master Alan Kyrketone was

collated to the Archdeaconry of Totnes. He apparently exchanged with Master John Typhaine for a Canonry and Prebend of the Church of Rouen and the chaplaincy of the Royal Palace at Paris as well as for the hermitage of Plasnes and the parsonage of Hotot in the diocese of Lisieux. Mandate for his Installation addressed to the Dean (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 156).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 1433.

19th August MCCCCXXXIII. I Henricus Cheesewill bequeath my soul, etc., my body to be buried in the cemetery of the church of the Blessed Mary of Totton'; to the Rector of the said church for tithe or offerings 12*d.*; to the Vicar of the said church, 6*d.*; to Galfridus Veale Canon and Rector of the church of St. Edmund on the bridge of Totton 4*d.*; to brother Willelmus de la Warlond 4*d.*; to Isabella Chesewell his mother one coverlet and one pair of linen sheets suitable to same according to the disposal of his executors; to Iohanna his wife one tenement with a portion of his garden and one tenement with curtilage adjoining in Great Totton of which one tenement is situated between the Kingsway on the east side and the Castle moat of Totton on the west side and the tenement of Iohannes Bilhols of Torryngton on the south side and the tenement of Iohannes Ford on the north side and one garden called Lechewellhay lying between the garden of the lepers of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Totton on the east side and the pathway leading from Bastewall towards Lechewell on the west side and the garden of Walterus Thoreslegh on the north side: and the other tenement with curtilage adjoining situated between the Kingsway on the east side and the garden of Willelmus Cosyn on the west and south sides and the tenement of Iohannes Comb on the north side. To have and to hold, etc., to the said Iohanna for her lifetime with remainder on her death to the heirs of the said Henricus. If the heirs of Henricus are without issue then the property is to revert to the heirs of the said Iohanna. He bequeathed to Iohanna his wife a tenement with curtilage adjoining in which Ricardus Geffrey lives and a close containing an acre of land lying in Northeford within the manor of Dertyngton between the land of Henricus Antron on the south, west and north sides and the Kingsway on the east side. And the said tenement is situated between the tenement of Thomas Zouch on the east side and the tenement of Willelmus Ympyngham on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., for her lifetime to the satisfaction of the creditors of the said Henricus Cheesewell and when the debts are paid the property is to remain to the said Iohanna his wife and her heirs on condition that they find an able and honest priest to celebrate for the soul of the said Henricus. The residue of his estate

to his wife Iohanna also all properties otherwise in Great Totton, Northford, Paynescomb, and Luddebrok. He appointed as executors his wife Iohanna and Ricardus Geffrey.

Foot note. "The real will is certified under the Common Seal of Totton: the same Burhed." (Possibly Burhed is the name of the scribe who wrote both will and copy).

1433. 24th October. On the resignation of Frater John Roggere, the last Prior of Tywardraythe, Frater John Brentynham was instituted in the person of John Tulloke, his proctor. Patron, King Henry VI (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 158).

Tot. Mun. Deed. 1434. May the present and future know that we Iohannes Dollebiry Vicar of the parish church of Totteneys and Willelmus Toker chaplain have given to Iohannes Hillyng of Totteneys "marchannt" all mesuages, lands and tenements, etc., in Great Totteneys which formerly we had by gift and feofment of the said Iohannes Hillyng. To have all the aforesaid, etc., for the term of his life. And after his death we will that all the aforesaid property shall remain to Iohannes Gambon of Nyweton and Alicia his wife daughter of the said Iohannes Hyllyng and their heirs. To hold of the capital lords of that fee for rent and service due. And if Iohannes and Alicia have no heirs the property shall revert to the heirs of Iohannes Hillyng. The parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Tolk Mayor of the burg of Totton; 2 Henricus Hert; 3 Iohannes Vues; 4 Walterus Tolk; 5 Iohannes Robyn provost of the burg aforesaid, and others. Dated at Totton on the 25th January in the 12th year of King Henry VI.

Appended red seal, impression three-quarters of an inch by half an inch. Merchant mark: cross transfixing two circles and standing in apex of inverted triangle.

18th September. At Peyngton Bishop Lacy granted an Indulgence of forty days to all those contributing to the bridge of Totton in the diocese of Exeter "*ad libitum duratur*."

A similar Indulgence is granted "for the repair of" Teyngbrygg, on 12th January, 1435.

24th September. Reginald Welleslee, Rector of Talcarne (Minster), exchanged benefices with Roger Bradewey, Rector of Patney (Wilts), who was instituted to Talcarne, by Robert Neville, Bishop of Salisbury, at his castle of Sherborne, under a commission from the Bishop of Exeter,

dated at Paignton, 22nd September. Patron, Sir William, Lord of Botreaux, knt. Bishop Lacy received the Certificate of Institution on the 1st October (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 173).

1434. 6th October. Commission is issued to the Archdeacon of Totton' to inquire fully on the spot in Chapter concerning the patronage of the parish church of Pieworthy (Pyworthy, from which Totnes Priory received X*s*. annual pension, see p. 253), on the free resignation of Lord Iohannes Thomas, made to the Lord Bishop, to which Iohannes Renald, clerk, is presented by the nobleman Ricardus, Count of "Soz" and Lord of Monte Hermeon. On the same day the Bishop placed (*dispensavit*) the same Iohannes Renald in charge of the Rectory of the Church of Pieworthy, he having received the first tonsure (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 13th December, 1434. Be it known that I Simon Mersshe of Tottenes have quit claimed to Willelmus Berd of the same town taillor all actions, etc. I have appended my seal. Dated on Monday the festival of St. Lucia the Virgin in the thirteenth year of King Henry the sixth.

On reverse in English: "Birdwood House. The Towne."

Appended strip cut from deed, but no sign of seal.

1435. 31st March. The Abbat of Torre is commissioned to levy the tax of a tithe on the county of Devon and the Prior of Bodmin, in Cornwall.

20th June. Commission issued to the Archdeacon of Totton to enquire concerning the vacancy and right of patronage to the chantry or chapel of St. Mary de Waysshebourne, to which Lord Thomas Bonde is presented by Iohannes Hawley.

11th July. Similar commission concerning the perpetual Vicar of the parish church of Lodeswyll, to which is presented Lord Willelmus Bowryng, chaplain, by Magister Benedictus Brente, Rector of the collegiate chapel of St. Mary de Slapton.

On the 15th July the Bishop received the certificate of enquiry held in the chapel of Bokelond by Iohannes Knyght, Official of the Archdeacon of Totton. The enquiry was held in the presence of Magister Ricardus Olyver Rector of Alyngton, Thoma Gambon Rector of Aveton Gyffard, Iohannes Wynterbourne Rector of Charleton, Lords Iohannes Scoche Rector of Cherystow, Thoma Caepynter Rector of Thurleston, Iohannes Pecok Rector of Pole, Iohannes Drake Rector of Wodelegh, Iohannes Olyver Rector of Dodebroke, and Lord Willelmus Yngeam Vicar of Alvyngton, Willelmus Come Vicar of Stokenham, and Lord Thoma Lodyston perpetual chanter (*perpetuas cantarias*) in the parish church of

Aveton Gyffard, and Robertus Stone in the parish church of Morlegh. The certificate says the enquiry was held in the chapel of St. Edmund the King of Kyngesbrygge, and duly records that on the death of Petrus Holdyche, on the 26th June, the living was vacant, and that the patrons are, by right, the Rectors of the collegiate chapel of Slapton (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

1435. 31st October. Indulgence of forty days is granted by Bishop Lacy to all those making a pilgrimage to the chapel of St. Antonii within the parish of St. Anthony in Cornwall, or contributing to the maintenance, construction and repair of the same (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

The Church of St. Antoninus the Martyr, in Meneage, was dependent on Tywardreath Priory (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 437).

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,253. **1435.** Monday after 25th November. John Mannyng and Joan his wife grant to John Lovenetorre a parcel of land called "Pukylhay" which lies in Great Tottenes outside the west gate between the land of the heirs of William Ryder on the east and the land of the said John Lovenetorre on the west and north sides and the road which leads from Tottenes to Browneburgh on the south side. To hold, etc., rendering to the chief lords rents and services due. Clause of warranty. Sealed by the grantors.

Witnessed by:

1 William Rowe then Mayor of the burg of Totteneys; 2 Richard Tucker; 3 Richard Geffray; 4 Henry Mersh; 5 Richard Hoigge then provost *of the burg of the said ville*, and many others. Dated at Tottenays on Monday after the festival of St. Katherine the Virgin and Martyr in the 15th year of King Henry VI.

1436. 17th February. Commission addressed to Magister Alanus Kyrketon, Archdeacon of Totton, Willelmus Fylham of Cornwall and Iohannes Waryn of Barnstaple, concerning the collection of one whole tithe and the half of another.

5th March. Certificate issued to Alanus Kyrketon, Archdeacon of Totton (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

11th May. At Chuddelegh Bishop Lacy granted forty days Indulgence to all contributing to the reparation and building of the parish church of Hurberton.

11th June. A similar Indulgence is granted to all contributing to the repair of the King's way (*vie regie*) which leads from Yvebrygge towards Plympton.

1436. 29th June. On the resignation of Sir John Dollebyry, Vicar of Tottonia, Sir William Howsynge, chaplain, was instituted by Bishop Lacy at Chudleigh. Patrons the Prior and Convent of Totnes. The Bishop assigned to the said Sir John Dollebyry 4 marcs annually as pension from the revenue of the church, and this his succesor took an oath to pay (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 210).

5th July. A mandate of excommunication is issued against certain evildoers who had interfered with Magister Johannes Hay Vicar of Brente. On the 11th September Bishop Lacy reconciled the church defiled by the effusion of blood occasioned by Magister Iohannes Hay, Vicar, and a certain Thoma Weke of the same parish. On the same day the Bishop consecrated three altars in the same church: the principal in honour of St. Petroc and of St. Mary the Virgin; the altar in the north aisle in honour of the Virgin, and the third altar in the south aisle in honour of SS. Katerina and Margareta (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clix. 1436. Be it known that I Thoma Zouche constable of the castle of Tottonia have received on the day of the drawing up of the present from Ricardus Tucker provost of the burg of Totteneys fifty *solidi* sterling annually due to me from the grant of the Lord there since granted me by the hand of dame Torkley faithfully paid and the said Ricardus provost and his heirs are quit. In witness of which I have appended my seal to the present. Dated on Friday next before the festival of Saint Margaret the Virgin in the fourteenth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth (Friday before 20th July, 1436).

Appended two strips cut from parchment of deed; only the second retains a small well preserved round seal, about half an inch, showing capital B, surmounted by what may be intended for a coronet.

Richard Tucker was Mayor in 1438-9.

1437. 22nd June. Thoma Gybbe and Margareta his wife receive license from Bishop Lacy to celebrate within their dwelling-house (*mansio*) in the parish of Dertyngton.

11th July. On the death of Frater William Nywentone, warden of the chapel of the Holy Ghost of Warlond near Tottonia, Frater Nicholas Lynyete "of the house or monastery of Houndyslowe, of the order of the Holy Trinity and of the redemption of captives, of the diocese of London" was collated by Bishop Lacy at Chudleigh (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 222).

1437. 31st July. A letter is addressed, at Chuddeleghe, by Bishop Lacy to the Dean of Totton and to the Vicars of Totton', Bryxham and of Byry Pomeray, threatening excommunication against those who, without the permission of Frater Nicholaus Lynyer, the warden, had entered the chapel of the Holy Ghost of Warlond, and had extracted vestments, books, charters, letters and muniments, vases and utensils belonging to the said chapel and trees growing within the sanctuary of the said chapel (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 939. 1437. Saturday, 10th August. I Iohanna widow of Nicholaus Gybbe in my widowhood grant to Iohannes Harry and Walterus Cole all my tenement with adjoining curtilage which is situated in Great Tottenes within the gates there between the tenement of Iohannes Burhed on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn on the west side and the High Street (*regia strata*) of the aforesaid ville on the south side and "les Barstewallys" on the north side. To have and to hold, etc., rendering service due, etc. Clause of warranty follows. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmo Rowe Mayor of the ville of Tottenes; 2 Ricardo Tucker; 3 Ricardo Geffray; 4 Rogero Cole; 5 Ricardo Hoygge then provost *of the burg of the ville aforesaid*, and many others.

Dated at Tottenes on Saturday on the festival of St. Laurencius the Martyr in the 15th year of the reign of King Henry VI.

Appended seal with small impress, apparently of signet ring, showing letter J, with small flower on either side.

9th October. At Chudleigh, on the death of Sir Geoffrey Veale, Peter Savery deacon was instituted warden to the chapel or chantry of St. Edmund the Martyr and St. Edmund the Confessor (as if two individuals), on the bridge of Tottonia. Patron, Sir William Lord de la Zouche and Seymour. Peter Savery, not being ordained, was to find a chaplain to serve in the said chapel until he had taken priest's orders, to pray for the souls of Willelmus de Cantulupo, father of Willelmus de Cantulupo junior, of Milsente, Countess, mother of the said Willelmus junior, of Eva, his wife and her parents, according to the charter of the aforesaid Willelmus junior, founder of the chapel, which charter, together with others, Lord Ricardus (Blondy), Bishop of Exeter (1246-1257), examined and testified to his inspection by letters sealed with his seal, which remain in the said chapel.

1438. 24th January. Bishop Lacy granted an Indulgence of forty days to all who by their gifts contribute to the maintenance of the poor and leprous of the hospital of St. Mary Magdalene of Totton.

14th September. Bishop Lacy granted license to Lord Iohannes Ufford, Vicar of Brente, to celebrate or cause to be celebrated by a suitable priest in the chapel of St. Lambert of Hurburneford in the parish of Brente.

Tot. Mun. Deed, Monday after 30th November, 1438.

This is the final agreement made in full Court of Totteneys between the four benches of the Gildhallia held on Monday after the festival of St. Andrew the Apostle in the seventeenth year of King Henry the sixth before Ricardus Tucker Mayor of the ville aforesaid, Iohannes Aysshe seneschal of the aforesaid Court, Iohannes Drake clerk, Henricus Antron then provost of the burg of the ville aforementioned, and other faithful, etc., between Henricus de la Pomeray, Iohannes Gambon senior and Henricus Willeam plaintiffs and Iohannes Mannyng and Iohanna his wife defendants concerning two tenements with curtilage and gardens, one of them adjoining a garden called Lechewelhay, one other garden behind the walls of the ville, two pieces of land, seven *solidat'* and nine *denarii* (7*s.* 9*d.*) rents, etc., in Great Totteneys. Plea of covenant was summoned namely that the defendants recognise the property to be the right of the plaintiffs who acquired it and received quit claim for it. For which the plaintiffs gave twenty *libri* sterling and paid 18*d.* fine to the lord. In witness of which the Common Seal of Totteneys at the request of Willelmus Boys is appended.

Appended good impression of large round seal of Totnes: three-turretted gate-house and keys.

Hist. MSS. Commission, III Report, fo. 342.

Copy on parchment of a deed, recorded by Mr. H. T. Riley in 1871, but which an examination on 7th March, 1913, of the Municipal deeds failed to disclose (see pages 296 and 311).

A contemporary copy, on parchment, of a deed in Latin, *temp.* Henry VI, whereby William Lord le Zowche, of Tottoneys, grants to Reginald Wise all his murage land (*totam terram muragii*) without the east gate of the ville on the north side, and extending from the gate to the foss of the Prior's garden, with licence to build and annex upon the wall aforesaid.

Witnessed by:

1 Edward de la Pomeray; 2 Robert Kykcham; 3 John Shapeweeke; 4 Richard Tucker then Mayor; 5 Henry Beard; 6 William Row; 7 William Stanlegth, and others.

Richard Tucker was Mayor 1438-9, 1443, 1446 and 1455-6. Probably the original gives the date more completely, but, lacking further evidence, it is placed at the commencement of Richard Tucker's Mayoralty.

Tot. Pr. Deed clx. 1439.

To all the faithful, etc., Iohannes Southam Prior of Totteneys and the Convent of the same place greeting. Since we transferred by a certain indenture to Mauritius Barlond now deceased and to Rosa up to then his wife six closes of land within the precincts of the burg of Totteneyse and within our manors of Garston and Foleton of which—

One close of lands lies in Foleton' and is called Netherhay between the land of the said Prior on the north, east and west and the road which leads from Foleton' towards Thoryslegh on the south.

Another close of land lies between the road which leads from Totteneyse towards Foleton' on the south side and the road which leads from Foleton' towards Dertyngton on the west side and our land and our garden on the east and north sides.

The third close of land lies in Garston between the close which Robertus Mathew formerly held on the north side and the road which leads from Totteneyse towards Dertemouth on the west side.

The fourth close of land called Fayrepark lies between a certain close of the Lord of Totteneyse on the east side and the close of Iohannes Rauff on the west side.

The fifth close of land called Fayrepark lies between the road which leads from Totteneyse towards Hurberton on the east side and the close of Philippus Bastard on the south side and the land of the said Prior and Convent and of the aforesaid Philippus on the west side and the little pathway (*venellam*) which leads from Totteneyse towards the dwelling-house (*mansio*) of the aforesaid Philippus on the north side.

The sixth close of land lies near Foleton' between the close of the aforesaid Philippus Bastard on the east side and the close of the aforesaid Prior and Convent on the south side and the close which Walterus Cole formerly held on the west side and the King's way which leads from Totteneyse towards Thoryslegh on the north side.

To have and to hold all the aforesaid six closes for the term of their lives, etc. And be it known that we the aforesaid Iohannes Prior of Totteneyse, etc., have granted that the aforesaid closes shall revert to Willelmus Cofyn son of the aforesaid Rosa and to Elizabeth his wife and their heirs. To have and to hold, etc., after the death of the aforesaid Rosa to the aforesaid Willelmus Cofyn and Elizabeth his wife. Whilst

rendering annually to us sixteen *solidi* and four *denarii* sterling at the four principal terms in equal portions for all service except two suits at our Court at Garston on a reasonable summons of eight days. And provided that the aforesaid Willelmus Cofyn and Elizabeth his wife shall keep divided (*tenebunt quolibet a uno apartum*) the two closes called Fayrepark on account of the Fayris of the Lord of Totteneyse on the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary the Virgin according to old custom.

If the aforesaid rent of sixteen *solidi* and four *denarii* shall be in arrear then the aforesaid Iohannes Prior, etc., is licensed to distrain, etc. And we the aforesaid Prior, etc., undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing our Conventual seal as well as the seals of Willelmus Cofyn and Elizabeth his wife are appended alternately to the present indenture.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus Tucker then Mayor *of the ville* of Totteneyse; 2 Regulus Wyse; 3 Iohannes Lovenetorr'; 4 Rogerus Cole; 5 Henricus Antron then provost *of the burg of the aforesaid ville*, and many others.

Dated at Totteneyse in our Chapter-House on the sixth day of the month of March in the seventeenth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth. Anno Domini 1438 (6th March, 1439).

Appended two parchment tags, but the seals have been broken off.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,254. 1439.

The Eve of Corpus Christi Day (June). Vincent Hagge of Plymmouth grants to Richard Tucker of Totteneys the moiety of a mesuage with curtilage in Great Totteneys except one stall (*stalla*) which lately belonged to Robert Frenssh which mesuage, etc., is within the gates on the south side of the High Street between the tenements of John Harry and Alana his wife on the east and the tenements of John Ford and Matilda Aylmer on the west and "les bastewalles" on the south side. To hold, etc., rendering to the chief lords rents and services due therefor. Clause of warranty follows. The grantor appends his seal.

Witnessed by:

1 William Rowe; 2 John Lovenetorre; 3 John Worthy; 4 John Burhed; 5 Henry Antron then provost of the burg of Totteneys, and others.

Dated at Totteneys on the eve of Corpus Christi Day (June, the first Thursday after Trinity Sunday) in the 17th year of King Henry VI.

PRIOR RICHARD STOKE.

On 27th August, at Chudleigh, owing to the resignation of John Southam through infirmity and old age, Richard Stoke, a monk of the said Priory,

was instituted on the nomination of King Henry VI, the King being at war with France. Patron, Sir William le Zouche, Lord of St. Maur, Totnes, and Haringworthe, knight.

The new Prior, Richard Stoke, swore on the Gospels to pay Frater John Southam for the rest of his days, twenty-four marcs of legal English money in four quarterly payments, also to allow him sufficient fuel for every year, and a chamber which Frater Iohannes had newly prepared for himself (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 253).

1439. On the 18th September, on the resignation of Sir Roger Bradeway, Master Thomas Swyft Bachelor of Both Laws was instituted Rector of Talcarun (Minster) by Bishop Lacy at Radeway. Patron Sir William Lord of Botreaux (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 254).

5th October. At Radeway, Bishop Lacy granted Lord Iohannes Bowdon, Rector of Dertyngton, license of absence to study at Oxford for one year.

1440. 30th June. Indulgence of forty days granted to all who visit the chapel of St. Andrew within the parish of Tywardrayth and pray for the souls of Lord Iohannes Rogg formerly Prior of Tywardrayth and of Iohanna Cheynedrit formerly wife of Iohannes Pengelly.

17th October. At Chudd(legh) Bishop Lacy issued letters of absolution (*littera purgacionis*) to Lord Robertus Gode Rector of Aysshpryngton, accused of simony as having purchased from Iohannes Boson Esquire and Nicholaus Coterell during the time of Iohannes, Prior of Totton who possessed the right of presentation to the church of Aysshpryngton, for two hundred *libri* of English money, and as having given a certain obligation to the said Iohannes Boson for part of the said sum and that the same Iohannes Boson had received simony, etc., and had produced certain obligations before our Commissary on the 19 July, 1440. And the same Robertus the Rector appeared before the Commissary and denied, etc., and no one appeared to oppose, etc., therefore the letters are granted (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxi. 1440. To all the faithful, etc., Ricardus Kerswelle Mayor of the town of Cliffton-Dertemouth-Hardenasse greeting. Be it known that in the charters of the ancestors of our Lord the King to the burgesses of the aforesaid town granted and confirmed by our Lord the King among other liberties and free customs the following articles are contained namely that all Burgesses of the aforesaid town are quit of

thelonium (toll);
panagium (equivalent of food obtained by cattle, more especially by pigs from forests);
muragium (toll for the repairing of walls);
paagium (toll for passage through another man's ground);
cornagium (an ancient tenure or undertaking to sound a horn as alarm);
piccagium (paid for right to set up booths at a fair);
stallagium (duty paid for right of stabling);
ponntagium (paid for repairing bridges);
barbecanagium (tax for maintaining watch towers);
kaiagium (paid for unloading goods at a quay);
strondagium (paid for discharging goods on the shore);
sedagium (possibly intended for *ceragium*, for wax candles at shrines);
wharvagium (paid for unloading at a wharf);
plancagium (possibly paid for the use of landing stages or boards);
lastagium (paid for carrying at fairs or for goods sold by last);
ancoragium (paid for anchorage);
levagium (any form of levy or tax);
and all other customs throughout all lands possessions and domains aforesaid of our Lord the King on sea and otherwise.

Wherefore we call all to witness that Iohannes Glover mariner is admitted into our citizenship by me the aforesaid Ricardus Kerswelle Mayor of the aforesaid town, etc.

Dated at Cliffton-Dertemouth-Hardenasse XIX day of the month of December in the nineteenth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth (19th December, 1440).

A well preserved seal of the Mayor of Dartmouth, found attached to a parchment tag in the bottom of the iron box in which the deeds were contained, evidently belongs to this deed, as before the strip was cut to which to attach the seal, a cut in the parchment had been repaired by stitches. A certain number of stitches remain on the deed; the remainder are on the tag bearing the seal.

On the reverse of seal is the imprint of a signet ring, showing ecclesiastical symbols: a cross enclosed in circle with elongated stem; on dexter side a crescent or bow with cross-piece, like arrow, inserted.

On reverse in English: "A grannt of liberties and customes to ye inhabitans of Dartmouthe and Hardenes" (for some reason "Cliffton" is omitted).

This endorsement scarcely represents correctly the contents of the deed, which is rather the formal grant of citizenship to a sailor who had probably settled in the town.

Tot. Mun. Deed, 1442.

Be it known that we Iohannes Burhed Mayor of the ville of Totteneys, Iohannes Shapwyk, Willelmus Row, Ricardus Tucker, Iohannes Nenys, Iohannes Harry, Iohannes Lovenetorr, Regulus Wyse, Iohannes Petard, Henricus Merssh, Ricardus Geffray, Iohannes Pascow, and Iohannes Hokemore burghers of the burg of the aforesaid ville with the unanimous assent of the whole Commonalty of the burg of the ville have conceded to Iohannes Symon and Elizabeth his wife all that parcel of our land which lies in Great Totteneys within the gates there between the garden of Willelmus Milford on the east side and the garden of the Gildhalle of the aforesaid ville on the west side and the land of the aforesaid Iohannes Symon on the north side and the way which leads from the east gate towards the west gate behind the walls of the ville on the south side. Which parcel of land Iohannes Rowe formerly held of us. To have and to hold, etc., for their lives and of one of them, paying 10*d.* annually. Clause of distraint. In witness of which the seal of the Mayor and the seals of Iohannes Symon and Elizabeth his wife are alternately affixed.

Witnessed by :

1 Henricus Beare ; 2 Henricus Brok ; 3 Willelmus Watford ; 4 Iohannes Bastard ; 5 Iohannes Southcote, and others.

Dated at Totteneys in our Gildhalla on the fourth day of January in the twentieth year of King Henry the sixth.

Appended two seals with identical impress in octagonal oblong bearing the form of an eight-thonged scourge or a plant of this form ; doubtless the seal of lessees.

On reverse, in English, " The counterpart of a Lease made by the maior and Burgeses to John Symon and his wiffe of a piece of land now in the tenure of Mr. Christofer Savery. Rent 10*d.* per annum 1610. The ma' No. 110."

Convocations of Clergy (see page 345). In appended schedules the following were summoned :

24th March, 1442.

Magister Alanus Kyrketon Archdeacon of Totton.

Iohannes Lacy Abbat of Torre.

Frater Iohannes Prior of Totton.

The eight Abbats are from Tavystok, Hertylond, Torre, Forde, Newenham, Dunkeswyll, Bokelond, and Bukfestr.

The seven Priors are from Plympton, Totton, Launceston, St. German, Frythelestok, St. Nicholas Exeter, and Barum.

4th September, 1444. Iohannes Burnebery Archdeacon of Totton.

Iohannes Abbat of Torre.

Fr. Ricardus Prior of Totton.

The eight Abbats are as above.

The eight Priors are as above with the addition of Bodmin.

Penitentiaries appointed for the Deanery of Totton:

6th February, 1440. Lord Iohannes Lacy Vicar of Tobustale, Mag. Iohannes Gele Vicar of Hurberton, and Iohannes Ufford Vicar of Brente.

8th January, 1442. The Prior of Totton and the Rector of Dydesham.

20th January, 1445. The Prior of Totton, the Vicar of Totton, the Vicar of Hurberton, the Rector of Hurberton, the Rector of Dypford, the Rector of Dydysham, the Vicar of Tounstale, and the Vicar of Brenta.

10th June, 1442. A letter was received by Bishop Lacy from the King requiring him to sequestrate from the goods of Alanus Kyrton 100 *libri* owing by him to Adam Semee of London.

18th October. A letter is sent to relax the sequestration of the above Archdeacon's estate.

Hist. MSS. Commission, III Report, fo. 346. "A mutilated roll of paper, consisting of two large sheets pasted together, containing, partly, an account (in Latin) of rights and usages pertaining to the town of Totnes, and partly extracts from early British history, founded, apparently on the narrative of Geoffrey of Monmouth.

"The following is a note as to the four bells then belonging to the parish church (tr.): 'On the Monday next after the festival of the Translation of Saint Thomas the Martyr (7th July) in the year of our Lord 1422 John Bishop of Olien (*Episcopus Oliensis*) in Freselond anointed and consecrated the four bells of Tottoneys; namely the great bell in honour of All Saints, another in honour of St. Mary the Virgin, the third in honour of St. Gabriel and the fourth in honour of St. Katherine.'"

N.B. The date given for the consecration of the bells, 1442, is ten years before the building of the tower was commenced.

"'An account is also given in this roll of the four royal roads made by King Belinus in England, of which the first and principal extended from south to north, beginning (tr.) 'at the corner of Cornwall that is at Tottenes, and ending at the extremity of Scotland that is at Catenese (Caithness).'

"'This roll was written probably about A.D. 1450, and, though now

imperfect, it contains several items of a miscellaneous character that are probably of interest.' "

The author failed to find this roll, alluded to by Mr. H. T. Riley; it is therefore recorded in his words, as above.

It is much to be regretted that this roll is not available for transcription. The brief historical reference made by Mr. Riley suggests that this record is similar to the "Compilacio per Iohannem Burhed, 1433," of which an account was given by Mr. Robert Dymond (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 196), and which is preserved in the Exeter Municipal collection, and the roll probably contains some additional notes made by John Burhed, who held the office of Mayor for the eighth year in 1450.

1442. 4th October. On the resignation of Sir Robert Kerneke *alias* Hode, Sir John Rosy chaplain was instituted, at Chudleigh, Vicar of Tywardraythe. Patrons the Prior and Convent of Tywardreath (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 274).

17th October. Commission appointed by Bishop Lacy i. e. Magister Iohannes Carnell Bachelor of Law Rector of Haccombe and Iohannes Southecote to administer the estate of Willelmus Clovenburgh Vicar of Biripomeray who had died intestate.

16th November. On the supplication of the Prioress and nuns of Corneworthy, proprietresses of the parish church of Corneworthy, Bishop Lacy issues a mandate to compel Lord Stephanus Cower not to allow any unworthy person to use the parish church of Corneworthy.

1443. 18th July. Bishop Lacy, at Radeway, granted license to Lord Willelmus Davy perpetual Vicar of Byrypomeray to celebrate or cause to be celebrated by suitable persons in the chapels of St. James the Apostle and St. Margaret the Virgin within the aforesaid parish on the festivals of St. James and St. Margaret.

Possibly one of these chapels was situated within the four acres of land at Loventor (see page 318).

16th August. On the death of Sir Alan Kyrtone, Master John Burnebery Bachelor of Both Laws was collated to the Archdeaconry of Totnes at Chudleigh by Bishop Edmund Lacy (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 280).

19th November. Letter of compulsion directed to the Dean of Totton on the supplication of Magister Gregorius Forde Rector of Dydysham to compel Lord Iohannes Bastard chaplain, etc.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 940. 17th March. I Walterus Cole transfer to Iohanna widow of Nicholas Gybbe my tenement with adjoining garden in Great Totteneys within the

1444. gates there between the tenement of Iohannes Burhed on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Cosyn on the west side and the High Street (*regia strata*) of the ville on the south and "les baftewallys" on the north. Which tenement, etc., I Walterus together with Iohannes Harry, recently deceased, received from the aforesaid Iohanna. And on the death of the aforesaid Iohanna one half of the tenement, etc., shall remain to Iohannes Gybbe chaplain son of the aforesaid Iohanna and his heirs; but if he die without heirs the half is to go to Iohannes Warde and Margeria his wife daughter of the aforesaid Iohanna Gybbe and to the heirs of Margeria. And if Iohannes Warde and Margeria have no heirs the half shall remain to Iohannes Gybbe chaplain. I have appended my seal to either part of this my deed.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardo Tucker then Mayor of the ville of Totteneys; 2 Iohanne Petard; 3 Iohanne Worthy; 4 Stephano Beallegh; 5 Iohanne Colaton then provost of the burg of the ville aforesaid, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys 17th March, in the 22nd year of Henry VI.

Appended small seal with impression probably of a signet ring, showing very clearly cut merchant's mark of a cross with long shaft resting on the centre one of three rings. To dexter of cross a crescent, to sinister three flail-like projections.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 941. The counterpart of Deed 940 with same seal attached.

Tot. Court Roll, M38. Tuesday after 18th October, 1444. Two single membranes, twenty-six inches by seven and a quarter inches, and thirty-three inches by three and three quarter inches respectively.

Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 23rd year of King Henry VI.

Twelve jurymen for the King and for the Community. Iohannes Gambon, Henricus Antron, Galfridus Veale, Iohannes Hamelyn, Ricardus Kent, Iohannes Pascow, Iohannes Rysedon, Willelmus Soper, Henricus Alyn, Ricardus Hoygge, Henricus Attwyll, Egidius Gelys.

Who came and on their oath confirm all usages, customs and liberties of the aforesaid town, etc.

They present to the following offices: (above each name the word "sworn").

Wardens of the Church of the Blessed Mary: Henricus Norys and Simon Gyldon.

Wardens of St. Leonard and of the Holy Cross: Henricus Attwyll and Iohannes Ward.

Wardens of the bridge of Totton: Galfridus Martyn and Petrus Swete.

Wardens of the Chapel of St. Peter: Stephanus Bykelond and Thomas Brydewode.

Wardens of the Chapel of Mary Magdalene: Willelmus Fursdon and Henricus Holewyll.

Wardens of the Chapel of St. George: Willelmus Row, and Iohannes Burhed.

Wardens of the Spring of Lechewyll: Iohannes Burhed and Iohannes Worthy.

Wardens of the Spring called Serygyswyll: Iohannes Petard and Willelmus Tolke.

Warden of the Spring called Seint Colasyswyll: Iohannes Smyth.

Wardens of the Markets and land of the Community: Rogerus Symon and Galfridus Veale.

Wardens of the Ships (*carinum*): Henricus Antron and Iohannes Hamelyn.

Wardens of the Fisheries: Iohannes Nevys and Iohannes Hokemore.

Wardens of the Swine without the east gate: Petrus Durant and Nicholaus Galyan.

Wardens of the Swine within the gates: Thomas Mayn and Iohannes Somer.

Wardens of the Swine without the west gate: Walterus Colryg' and Iohannes Perytt.

They order that the factors (*procuratori*) of the Church ought to sell the whole timber (*meremium*) of the old belfry (*antiqui campanilis*).

That Rogerus Cola shall have one beam (*trabem*) from the timber of the old belfry.

That the wardens of the church ought to buy linen cloth for black vestment.

That the feofment of the tenements of the Mayor and Community ought to be prosecuted on account of waste against Iohannes Deble and Iohanna his wife on account of the tenement in which they dwell.

That the wardens of the church shall repair the tenement of the Blessed Mary in which Walterus Ewan lives before the festival of Easter.

That Ricardus Tucker shall have a stall placed between the stall of Alicia Tolke on the west side and the stall of the Blessed Mary on the east side for the term of 20 years. Paying yearly to the Mayor and Community 20 *denarii*. And one stall newly made and a covering to the stall and the same stall and its covering is to be repaired when necessary, etc.

That if any one of age or a minor engages in free buying or selling (*i. e.* hawking goods) or acting in any other manner he pays to the Mayor and to the warden of the Merchant Gild and to the Community of the same 4*s.* unless he should wish to be admitted to the freedom.

They say that Iohannes Marys engaged in the free sale of five pipes of ale and in making horse bread (*panes equinos*) and brews ale without licence of the Mayor to the great loss of the citizens of the Merchant Gild; therefore it is decided that he pays the Mayor and his Community a fine as appears in margin (in margin, "nothing because he wishes to enter the Merchant Gild").

That if Iohannes Attwill should wish to enter the Merchant Gild in this year that then he pays the Mayor the great fine, namely 4*s.*

They say that the hedge (or fence, "*cepes*") placed between the garden of the Gildhallia and the garden of Regulus Wyse belongs to the Gildhallia and to its garden. And that Regulus Wyse occupies land belonging to the Gildhallia which adjoins his garden (in margin, "in the mercy of the Community").

The whole Community of the ville elects to the mayoral office in this next year Iohannes Burhed. And to the office of Receiver Iohannes Hokemore and the same are sworn.

Total of the Court: nothing.

21st December, 1444. Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Monday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 23rd year of King Henry VI.

At this Court Stephanus Lome is admitted to the Merchant Gild of Totton, etc. Sureties, Willelmus Row and Nicholaus Cohew and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Robertus Greyhode is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Iohannes Pascow and Robertus Kente and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Willelmus Nevys is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Ricardus Kent and Iohannes Pascow and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Iohannes Symon miller is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Willelmus Row and Galfridus Veale and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Iohannes Pumbele is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Willelmus Row and Galfridus Veale and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Iohannes Marys is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Iohannes Pascow and Iohannes Rysedon and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

Reverse of membrane:

At this Court. Simon Burton, 4*d.*; Petrus Swete, 6*d.*; Iohannes Attwyll, 8*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 4*d.*; Iohannes Denys, 4*d.*; Iohannes

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Laverance, 3*d.*; Ricardus Lake, 4*d.*; Iohannes Row, 3*d.*; Iohannes Iagow, 2*d.*; Ricardus le toke, 2*d.*; Simon Gyldon, 4*d.*; Iohannes Fawkener, 6*d.*; Walterus Antron, (?); Iohannes Gome, 2*d.*; Iohannes Whyte, 1*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 2*d.*; Henricus Holewyll, 8*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 2*d.*; Philippus mason (crossed out) Whyler, 2*d.*; Walterus Weston, (?); Nicholaus Galyan, nothing; Margeria Geylle, nothing; Iohannes Noseworthy, nothing; Robertus Bunker; Iohannes Coke, nothing; Willelmus Smyth, nothing; Iohannes Bewre, 1*d.*; Iohannes Mowrin, (?); Willelmus Row webber, 2*d.*; Gilbertus Larunke, 2*d.*; Petrus Bydon, 2*d.*; Thoma Parker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Careu, 2*d.*; Walterus Fays, nothing; Iohannes Benet, nothing; Thomas Lorach, 2*d.*; Iohannes Wylcomb, nothing; Thomas Hoper, 1*d.*; Thomas More, nothing; Ricardus Mayn, nothing; Ricardus Bolter, nothing; Iohannes Hulett, nothing; Nicholaus Botelond, 2*d.*; Iohannes Prygge, nothing; Iohannes Edward; Ricardus Hille, 2*d.*; Iohannes Barbur, 1*d.*; Ricardus Foster, nothing; Willelmus Lamburn, 6*d.*; Iohannes Rope, 1*d.*; Robertus Rychard, 1*d.*; Willelmus Redclyff, 1*d.*; Willelmus Capper, nothing; Iohannes Langge, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bone (or ve), nothing; Iohannes Roche, nothing; Robertus Churcheward, nothing; Ricardus Sare, nothing; Ricardus Stephen, nothing; Henricus Byggepourte, nothing; Thomas Harper, nothing; and Willelmus Bythewater, nothing. The above pay the Mayor fine as appears above their names for licence to have, buy and sell victuals and other small merchandise (*parva mercimonia*) and to tap (*tappiand'*) beer and cider (*cervis et ciseram*) within the liberty of the Gild of the aforesaid town on any day until the festival of St. Michael the Archangel next.

At this Court Iohannes Prall is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Rogerus Symon and Rogerus Cola and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Ricardus Harry is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Willelmus (T?)ydy and Iohannes Rysedon and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

At this Court Willelmus Helyer is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Willelmus Soper and Galfridus Veale and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

Total of the Court, 6*li.* 8*s.* 6*d.*

24th March, 1445.

Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Monday the eve of the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary the Virgin in the 23rd year of Henry VI.

At this Court Iohannes Knappe is admitted to the Gild, etc. Sureties, Thomas Pyryham and Ricardus Kent and gives 13*s.* 4*d.*

The whole Community of the burg of the aforesaid ville elect and present to the office of provost for the coming year Iohannes att Berum, etc.

Total of the Court, 13*s.* 4*d.*

Total of the three Courts held in this year, 7*li.* 22*s.* [*sic*].

By total fines for this year, 8*s.* 6*d.*

By fines of the Merchant Gild, 6*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Parchment bought in this year, 6*d.*

Tot. Assess. Roll No. 38, 29th September, 1444.

Totteneys. Roll of free assessment in the time of Iohannes Burhed Mayor there from the festival of St. Michael Archangel in the 23rd year of Henry VI.

Without the east gate:

Robertus Wylleam, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Loveton, 2*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, 1*d*,; David Wellys, 2½*d.*; Petrus Savery, 2*d.*; Iohanna Herte, 2*d.*; Iohannes Prall, 1*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 3*d.*; Iohanna Swete, 1*d.*; Ricardus Bove, 1*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Compyon, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2½*d.*; Michelus Leche, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Cohew, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 3*d.*; Vincencius Herberd, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 1*d.*; Henricus Norys, 4*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Tolke, 3*d.*; Iohannes Durston, 1*d.*; Rogerus Cola, 2*d.*; Simon Turgys, ½*d.*; Isabella Lovenetorre, 3*d.*; Henricus Water, 2½*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 3*d.*; Iohannes Perytt, 1*d.*; Henricus Merssh, 3½*d.*; Stephanus Bykelond, 3½*d.*; Robertus Harry, 1*d.*; Iohannes Smyth, 3*d.*; Stephanus Peyrs, 2*d.*; Willelmus Furs, 2*d.*; Gervasius Frenssh, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Knolle, 2*d.*

Total, 6*s.* 9½*d.* Collector, Henricus Bythewater.

Within the gates:

Iohannes Symon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Enger (or Cuger), 1½*d.*; Regulus Wyse, 3*d.*; Ricardus Uphome, 1*d.*; Walterus Cola, 2*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Rysedon, 3*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 3*d.*; Iohannes Deble, 1*d.*; Henricus Attwyll, 2*d.*; Iohannes Burhed, nothing in this year because he is Mayor; Iohannes Dybbe, 3*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 5*d.*; Iohanna Gybbe, 1*d.*; Matild' Robyn, 2*d.*; Stephanus Belly, 1*d.*; Iohannes Gambon, 3*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 4*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 2*d.*; Iohannes Shyplegh, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 4*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 5*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 3*d.*; Alicia Tolke, 2*d.*; Ricardus Geffray, 4*d.*; Iohannes Nevys, 2*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, 2*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hakewyll, 3½*d.*; Thomas Mayn. 1*d*,; Iohannes Forde, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hoygge, 3*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 3½*d.*; Bartholomeus Fays, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Cohew, 3½*d.*;

Henricus Antron, 3*d.*; Thomas Martyn, 2*d.*; Ricardus Martyn, 2½*d.*; Robertus Greyhod, 1*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 2*d.*; Iohannes Simon miller, 1*d*; Stephanus Lomb, 1*d.*; Willelmus Smys, 1*d.*

Total, 19*s.* 1*d.* Collector, Bartholomeus Foys.

Reverse of membrane:

Without the west gate:

Margareta Swayn, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tydy, 3*d.*; Robertus Kente, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Lacche, 3*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 2½*d.*; Iacobus Lucas, 3*d.*; Iohannes Huchyn, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 3*d*; Henricus Alyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Thomas Bove, 2*d.*; Ricardus Fressh [*sic*], 2*d.*; Thomas Newlyng, 1*d.*; Hugo Iulyan, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Down, 1½*d.*; Mattheus Fremyngton, 3*d.*; Willelmus Hawkyn, 2½*d.*

Parva Totteneys, 6*d.*; Tybecomb, 3*d.*; Bowedon, 3*d.*; Browneburgh, 3*d.* Total, 4*s.* 3*d.* Collector, Iohannes Lokke.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxii.
1445.

Be it known, etc., that we Ricardus Stoke Prior of the Priory of Tottonia and the Convent of the same place have conceded to Iohannes Burhed and to Agneta his wife license and easement to place and strengthen their pig-sty (*maeremium porcario*) in and upon our wall situated on the east side of their land extending from our house called "le Pomihous" from the south side towards the north just as now the said pig-styes (*porcaria*) are built anew. To have and to hold all the aforesaid license and easements of the said wall to the aforesaid Iohannes and Agneta for the term of their lives. Whilst rendering to us, etc., one *denarium* at the festival of Saint Michael the Archangel, etc. We will also that the heirs of the aforesaid shall in no manner be allowed to enter upon the said wall without they obtain specially our license. In witness of which thing our seal as well as the seals of the aforesaid Iohannes and Agneta are alternately appended. Dated at Tottonia on Tuesday next after the festival of Saint Barnabas the Apostle in the twenty third year of King Henry the sixth (Tuesday after 11th June, 1445).

Appended two small tags with small pieces of red sealing wax. The first has the imprint of a letter B; the second a quatre-feuille flower with stem and leaflet.

On reverse in English: "John' Burhede pyggs'."

A John Burhead, doubtless the same, was Mayor in 1441, 1442, 1444, 1445, 1447 and 1450, author of the "Compilacio" (see page 80).

1447.

5th January. At Chudd'(legh) Bishop Lacy directed letters to the Treasurer of the Lord King to excuse the poor nuns of Canonlegh *alias*

Monchenleya, Polslo and Corneworthy and of the poor hospital of St. John the Baptist, from paying the tithes due (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

23rd February, 1447. Penitentaries in the Deanery of Totton are not specially mentioned, but under the Deanery of Ipplepen occur:—Lord Iohannes Berde Vicar of Ippleham, Lord Willelmus Bevyn Vicar of Hempston, Lord Iohannes Abell Vicar of the vicarage of Brixham, Lord Iohannes Frensshe Vicar of the vicarage of Brent and Lord Willelmus Howis Vicar of Totton' (the two Deaneries on this occasion are evidently combined).

20th January, 1448. In the Deanery of Totton':—Lord Iohannes Abell Vicar of Bryxham, Lord Iohannes Frensshe Vicar of Brente, Lord Willelmus Howsyn Vicar of Totton', and Magister Gregorius Forde Rector of Dydesham.

3rd February, 1449. In the Deanery of Totton:—Magister Gregorius Ford Rector of Dydesham, Lord Iohannes Abell Vicar of Brixham, Lord Iohannes Frensshe Vicar of Brente, Lord Willelmus Howsyng Vicar of Totton', and Lord Willelmus Hehawys Rector of Stokflemyng.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,427. 1447. Tuesday, 3rd May. William Northbroke and William Hert wardens of the fabric of the church of St. Mary of Totton with the assent of the Mayor and Commonalty of the said town lease to John Rope otherwise Pyper and Willelmina his wife that tenement of the said church of St. Mary in "Harperyswylstrete" which Thomas Canon formerly held and also one garden of the said church of St. Mary by Lechwyll which formerly was held by Walter Hycock. To have and to hold the said tenement and garden to the said lessees and to the heirs of their bodies for a term of 60 years. Rendering therefor yearly to us 4*s*. 8*d*. and paying in our names all other rents and services due. The lessees to keep the premises in repairs. The lessors and the lessees append their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Richard Tucker then Mayor of the town of Tottonys; 2 John Prall; 3 William Row; 4 John Burhed; 5 William Boys; 6 John Hokemor; 7 Roger Symon; 8 John Hakewyll; 9 Regulus Wyse; 10 Henry Norys; 11 Richard Kent; 12 Roger Cole clerk of the town; 13 John Cohew then provost of the burg of the said town, and many others.

Dated in the Guildhall of Tottonys (*Gildhallia Totton'*) on Tuesday the festival of the Invention of the Holy Cross in the 25th year of the reign of King Henry VI.

1447. 29th October. At Chudd' the Bishop addresses letters of compulsion to the Dean of Totton and to Ricardus Derby to warn and cite Lord

Galfridus Aissherigg, chaplain, not serving any cure, to undertake the care of the church of Corneworthy, annexed to the Priory of Corneworthy (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

1448. 4th February. Commission to the Abbat of Forde to collect the last and second half of the tithe to the King (*ibidem*).

Tot. Assess. Roll, M40. Monday after 14th September, 1448.

Six various lengths of parchment.

Tottenes. Roll of assessment of the last half of one fifteenth granted to the Lord King in the last but one Parliament from the laity and there assessed on Monday after the festival of the exaltation of the Holy Cross in the 27th year Henry VI.

Without the east gate:

Iohannes a Gannt, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lake, 1*d.* (deceased); Walterus Fays, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Galyan, 2*d.*; Radulphus Wody, 2*d.*; Walterus Weston, 3*d.*; Iohannes Nycoll, 1*d.*; Iohannes Panter, 2*d.*; Robertus Willeam, 10*d.*; Iohannes his son, 2*d.*; Iohanna his servant, 2*d.* (opposite name a cross and "nil"); Ricardus Leveton, 4*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, 1*d.*; Petrus Swete, 4*d.*; David Wellys, 10*d.*; Iohannes Colyngton, 10*d.*; Petrus Savery, 4*d.*; Iohanna Hert, 4*d.* (a cross and "nil"); Iohannes Pralle, 6*d.*; Beatrissa his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Durston, 1*d.*; Ricardus Bon, 4*d.*; his servant, (no entry); Matildis Herberd, 4*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 4*d.*; Iohannes Compyon, 5*d.*; Nicholaus his servant, "nil" (a cross); Alicia Bartur, 2*d.*; Thomas Lorath, 4*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed through and a cross before entry); Willelmus Sayer, 3*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 6*d.*; Petrus Durant, 2*d.*; Iohannes Coke, 1*d.*; Willelmus Smyth, 2*d.*; Michel Leche, 8*d.*; his servant, (crossed through and a cross before entry); Iohannes Cohew, 8*d.*; Isota Lucas, 1*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 2*d.*; Thomas Alston, 1*d.*; Petrus Bydon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 9*d.*; Iohannes Downyng, 4*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 8*d.*; his two servants, 1*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 8*d.*; Thomas Soper, 4*d.*; Nicholaus Mayhow, 4*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed out); Iohannes Sopemake, 1*d.*; Rogerus Mayhow, 1*d.* (crossed through and a cross before entry); Willelmus Tolke, 5*d.*; Amicia his mother, 1*d.*; Ricardus Uphome, 2*d.*; Rogerus Cole, 6*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 4*d.*; his servant, "nil"; Iohannes Salmon, 3*d.*; Iohanna Austyn, 2*d.*; Ricardus Lake, 1*d.*; Iohannes Bewre, 4*d.*; Ricardus Bolter, 2*d.*; Thomas Parker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Careu, 3*d.*; Isabella Lovenetore, 4*d.* (before entry "nil" written); Iohannes Denys, 3*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed through and a cross before entry); Galfridus Veale, 10*d.*; his two servants, 1*d.*; Gilbertus Munk, 2*d.*; Iohannes Perytt, 2*d.*; Henricus Merssh, 12*d.*; his three servants, 2*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Merssh, 1*d.*; Iohannes

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Merssh, 1*d.*; Willelmus Row senior, 1*d.* (crossed through and cross before entry); Ricardus le Tucke, 2*d.*; Stephanus Bykelond, 8*d.*; his two servants, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pecot, 3*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 1*d.*; Iohannes Roper, 3*d.*; Robertus Harry, 4*d.*; Iohannes Wylcomb, 2*d.*; Thomas Hoper, 3*d.*; Iohannes Smyzrth [*sic*], 6*d.*; his servant (no entry); Ricardus Webber, 3*d.*; Iohanna Peyrs, 4*d.*; her servant, "nil"; Iohannes Bunker, 1*d.*; Iohannes servant of Iohannes Smyrth, 2*d.*; Henricus Water, 6*d.*; Iohannes Peynter, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hulet, 4*d.*; Iohannes Devale (no entry).

Total, 25*s.* 3*d.*

Assessors, Henricus Merssh and David Wellys.

Collectors, Iohannes Prall and Galfridus Veale.

Within the gates:

Iohannes White, 2*d.*; Iohannes Symon, 8*d.* (cross); his three servants, 2*d.* (crossed through and cross before); Stephanus Cornyshman Bovy, 1*d.* (crossed through and cross before); Regulus Wyse, 12*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed through and cross before); Iohannes Denys, 1*d.*; Robert Churcheward, 2*d.*; Petronilla Molyn, 1*d.*; Robert Greyhode, 3*d.*; Walterus Cole, 8*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 12*d.*; his two servants, "nil"; Willelmus Helyer, 3*d.*; Ricardus Harry, 1*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 2*d.*; Thomas Harper, 8*d.*; Agnes Ioos, 1*d.*; Thomas Skelton, 2*d.* (crossed through with cross before); Iohannes Toker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Fawkener, 4*d.*; his two servants, 2*d.* (crossed through); Iohannes Rysedon, 8*d.*; his two servants, 2*d.*; Iohannes Goveton, 2*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 7*d.*; Simon Gilden, 8*d.*; Philippus Whiler, 4*d.*; Iohannes Crenok, 2*d.*; Henricus Holewill, 7*d.*; one servant, 1*d.*; Willelmus Marshall, 2*d.*; Henricus Norys, 14*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed out with cross before); Iohannes Ferrer, 1*d.* (crossed out with cross before); Henricus Attwill, 7*d.*; Walterus Antron, 6*d.*; his one servant, 1*d.* (crossed out); Iohannes Dybbe, 7*d.*; his servant (no entry); Iohannes Burhed, 20*d.*; his one servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 6*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 20*d.*; his three servants, 1*d.*; Matild Robyn, 4*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 6*d.*; Margeria Geille, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Botelond, 6*d.*; Thomas Frenssh, 6*d.*; Stephanus Belly, 2*d.*; Iohannes Coleton (inserted between lines, and no entry); Iohannes Gambon, 10*d.*; Ricardus Hille, 1*d.*; Iohannes Prygge, 1*d.*; Henricus Oldereve, 1*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 10*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 4*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 7*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 7*d.*; Iohannes Symon miller, 8*d.*; Iohannes Knappe, 8*d.*; Thomas Piryham, 6*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed out); Alicia Tolke, 4*d.*; her two servants, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 16*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 2*s.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Ricardus Geffray,

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10*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 10*d.*; Cristina Nevys, 1*d.*; Iohannes Edward, 1*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 6*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, 4*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 16*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 16*d.*; Ricardus Foster, 1*d.*; Iohannes Fulle, 1*d.* (crossed out); Thomas Mayn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 3*d.*; Ricardus Hoigge, 6*d.*; Iohannes Watthy, 14*d.*; Stephanus Lomb, 8*d.*; Thomas Tassell, 8*d.*; Bartholomeus Fays, 12*d.*; Iohannes Attwill, 3*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 3*d.*; Robertus Richard, 4*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Cohewe, 16*d.*; his servant, 1*d.* (crossed out); Henricus Antron, 14*d.*; Willelmus Lamburne, 3*d.*; Iohannes his son, 1*d.*; Ricardus Morefeild, 3*d.*; Iohannes Herte, 6*d.*; Willelmus Wratte, 6*d.*; Ricardus Rodde, 8*d.*; Thomas Hext, 8*d.*; Iohannes Wyndessore, 10*d.*; Stephanus Packe, 8*d.*; Iohannes Packe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Pralls, 4*d.*; Nicholaus Godeman, 10*d.*; Vincent Stappe, 1*d.*; Ricardus Martyn, 2*d.*; Oliverius Geye, 2*d.*; Walterus Martyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hugge and Iohannes Iagow (no entries).

Total, 46*s.* 10*d.*

Assessors, Iohannes Worthy and Iohannes Rysedon.

Collectors, Henricus Norys and Rogerus Symon.

Without the west gate:

Willelmus Hoper (no entry); Iohannes Rope, 1*d.*; Willelmus Symon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hoigge, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tydy, 8*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Ricardus Perytt, 1*d.*; Petrus Peryt, 2*d.*; Iohannes Iagow, 1*d.*; Robertus Kent, 5*d.*; Iohannes Rowe, 5*d.*; Iohannes Laccher, 10*d.*; Iohannes Locke senior, 3*d.*; Iohannes his son, 1*d.*; Iohannes Cholewill, 2*d.*; Iacobus Lucas, 10*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Laverane, 2*d.*; Iohannes Petur, 2*d.*; Iohannes Gomer, 3*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 3*d.*; Iohannes Langge, 1*d.*; Walterus Smyth (inserted name, no entry); Nicholaus 'Clerk, 1*d.*; Henricus Alyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Taylour, 1*d.*; Willelmus Davy, 2*d.*; Nichola Attlake, 2*d.*; Thomas Brydwode 2*d.*; Iohannes Peryt, 1*d.*; Iohannes Bon, 1*d.*; Thomas Bon, 2*d.*; Alinora Ioos, ½*d.*; Thomas Hamelyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Ewan, 1*d.*: the mother of Willelmus Nevys, ½*d.*; Iohannes Knyzth, 1*d.*; Willelmus Strepe, 2*d.*; Walterus Colryg, 1*d.*; Ricardus Stephyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Huchyn, 3½*d.*; Simon Burton, 2*d.*; Willelmus Nevys, 6*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 10*d.*, Walterus Baker and Iohannes Blake (no entries).

Parva Totteneys, 15*d.*; Tybecomb, 6*d.*; Bowdon, 15*d.*; Browneburgh, 15*d.*

Iohannes Browse de Aysshpryngton, 3*d.*; Willelmus Gatcomb, 1*d.*; Rogerus Ewan, 1*d.*; Iohannes att Hele, ½*d.*; Willelmus Haukyn, 4*d.*; Matheus Fremyngton, 4*d.*; Ricardus Fremyngton, 2*d.*; Ricardus Willeam, 2*d.*; Willelmus Holond, 2*d.*; Walterus Boyer, 2*d.*; Iohannes

Hough, 2*d.*; Willelmus Lappe, 1*d.*; Iohannes Torryng, 3*d.*; Ricardus Hethe, 2*d.*; Robertus Cole, 2*d.*; Willelmus Wilcomb and Iohannes Wilcomb per Crablond, 1*d.* ("Crabland" is south of Follaton House: field No. 238 on Ordnance Map).

Total, 16*s.* 2½*d.*

Assessors, Iohannes Lacch and Iohannes Rope.

Collectors, Iohannes Pascow and Willelmus Tydy.

Sum total, 4 *libri* 8*s.* 3½*d.*

Tot. Court Roll, M40, contd. Tuesday before 18th October, 1448.

Totteneys. Court of Law of the Mayor, held on Tuesday before the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 27th Henry VI.

Twelve for the King and Community (fifteen names are enrolled). Iohannes Gambon, Iohannes Worthy, Henricus Antron, Henricus Merssh, Rogerus Symon, Henricus Norys, Willelmus Boys, Iohannes Pascow, Iohannes Lacch(er), Jacobus Lucas, Ricardus Kent, Willelmus Tydy, Egidius Gelys, Ricardus Leveton and Rogerus Cole.

Who come and on their oath confirm all usages, customs and liberties of the aforesaid Gild and present to the following offices:

Wardens of the church of the Blessed Mary: Robert Kent and Walterus Antron.

Wardens of St. Leonard and the Holy Cross: Iohannes Warde and Iohannes Toker.

Wardens of the bridge of Totton': Iohannes Compyon and Iohannes Pumbele.

Wardens of the chapel of St. Peter of Totton: Stephanus Bykelond and Willelmus Bryan.

Wardens of the chapel of Mary Magdalene of Totton': Willelmus Fursdon and Egidius Gelys.

Wardens of swine without the east gate: Gilbertus Munk and Nicholaus Galyan.

Wardens of swine within the gates: Iohannes Edward and Iohannes Prygge.

Wardens of swine without the west gate: Walterus Colrygge and Iohannes Knyzth.

Wardens of the ships: Henricus Antron and Iohannes Hamelyn.

Wardens of the fisheries: Rogerus Symon and Willelmus Boys.

Wardens of the spring called Lechewill: Iohannes Burhed and Iohannes Worthy.

Wardens of the public spring called Seryggiswill: Iohannes Pumbele and Iohannes Cohewe.

Wardens of the public spring called Seint Colasyswill: Iohannes Smyzth and Iohannes Wilcomb.

Wardens of the bounds and of the public land where the bounds are placed: Galfridus Veale and Rogerus Symon.

They order that the Mayor shall provide a water bearer who knows how to take care of the choir and confessional (?) and to ring the "day bell" and curfew (*pro uno aquebavilo qui scit custodire chorum oruscopium*).

They order that the Sunday penny is to continue as before.

They order that Iohannes Pascow surrender all charters and muniments which he has concerning the land and tenement formerly belonging to Patricius Mark before he may receive 13*s.* 4*d.* from the Mayor and Community granted him for the same and then it must be paid by the wardens of the church. And that he gives up all his claim, etc.

They order that the Mayor shall have one chief servant to carry the mace before him through the ville. And that he has two maces so that one mace remains in the custody of the Mayor unless in time of use. And that both maces shall be carried by means of two trustworthy men. And that he (the Mayor) may choose for himself one servant to carry the mace remaining in his custody.

That the receivers of the Sunday pence shall render their account on the festival of the Apostles Simon and Jude.

They order that the bell ringers and the crier (*orator*) may not come on anniversaries to the houses of the poor where they are celebrating such anniversaries (tenent' anniversaria) to dine and drink unless they are invited, etc., without it is the custom.

They present to the Mayoral office for the coming year, Iohannes Burhed; to the office of Receiver for the same year, Galfridus Vele; to the office of client (*clientis*) for the ville, Ricardus Harry (the meaning is rather the reverse of that of the present day: the client was one who looked after the interests and defended the cause of the town on all occasions, corresponding rather to the present day office of town clerk.)

They order that the said Ricardus Harry shall have care of the market of fish and ships for this year (the word "*stalla*" probably means the dues levied on fish and boats loading and unloading rather than the actual market).

That Iohannes Hokemore shall be Receiver of Sunday pence for this year.

They present that Henricus Water disapproved of the twelve (jurymen) in open court and apart from their action against him by those present

that one of the twelve said to himself that Rogerus Symon was the cause of Henricus being amerced for one waxscot (*ceragium*, a duty paid for the cost of wax lights in church) wrongly assessed from himself Henricus beyond the walls of the ville just as it is presented exists in the Law Court of the lord (of the manor) therefore he himself charges (them) on the book to speak the truth who it was of the twelve who told such words, etc., or otherwise he will lose the liberty of the Gild unless he places himself at the mercy of the Mayor.

Tot. Court Roll, M40, contd. 6th December, **1448.**

Totteneys. Court of Iohannes Burhed the Mayor, held there on Friday the festival of St. Nicholas in the 27th Henry VI.

To this Court come Walterus Fays, 2*d.*; Walterus Weston, 2*d.*; Iohannes Nycoll, 2*d.*; Iohannes Panter, 2*d.*; Iohannes Helyer, 4*d.*; Petrus Durant, 2*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 2*d.*; Petrus Bydon, 2*d.*; Thomas Soper, 6*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 2*d.*; Iohanna Austyn, 2*d.*; Ricardus Lake, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bewre, 2*d.*; Christina Savage, 1*d.*; Iohannes Careu, 2*d.*; Iohannes Denys, 4*d.*; Gilbertus Munke, 2*d.*; Willelmus Row, 2*d.*; Iohannes Cok, 2*d.*; Ricardus le Tuk, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pecot, 2*d.*; Iohannes Roper, 4*d.*; Iohannes Wilcomb, 2*d.*; Thomas Hoper, 2*d.*; Ricardus Webber, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hulet, 4*d.*; Iohannes Bunker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Devale, 2*d.*; Iohannes Penter, 2*d.*; Iohannes White, 2*d.*; Robertus Churcheward, 2*d.*; Iohannes Sopmaker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Toker, 6*d.*; Simon Gildon, 4*d.*; Philippus Whiler, 4*d.*; Petronilla Molenys, 2*d.*; Iohannes Goveton, 2*d.*; Margeria G(?)eill, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Botelond, 2*d.*; Thomas Frenssh, 6*d.*; Ricardus Hill, 2*d.*; Iohannes Prg [*sic*], 2*d.*; Ricardus Foster, 2*d.*; Robertus Richard, 6*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Lamburne, 4*d.*; Iohannes Rope, 2*d.*; Willelmus Symon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hoigge, 2*d.*; Petrus Perytt, 2*d.*; Iohannes (? indistinct) Iagow, 2*d.*; Iohannes Row, 8*d.*; Iohannes Cholewill, 2*d.*; Iohannes Laverance, 4*d.*; Iohannes Gome, 2*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 4*d.*; Iohannes Langge, "nil"; Simon Buro(or "to")n, 3*d.*; Willelmus Northhode, "nil." Above pay the Mayor the sums mentioned for licence to hold, buy and sell merchandize. Total, 13*s.*

St. Felix of Nola. 14th January, **1449.**

Totteneys. Law Court held on Tuesday the festival of St. Felix the Confessor in the 27th year Henry VI.

Jury for the ville: Iohannes Symon, Iohannes Worthy, Henricus Antron, Willelmus Boys, Thomas Tassell, Robertus Willeam, Iohannes Lacch(er), Simon Gildon. Willelmus Nevys, Stephanus Bykelond, Rogerus Symon, Henricus Norys, Ricardus Kent, Ricardus Geffray, Iohannes Mody, Henricus Attwill, Iacobus Luky, Iohannes Fawkener,

Henricus Water, Willelmus Tolke, Regulus Wyse, Henricus Merssh, Egidius Gelys, Ricardus Leveton, Iohannes Pumbele, Henricus Holewill, Thomas Harper, Iohannes Pascow, Galfridus Martyn, Iohannes Down.

Who come and confirm all usages, etc.

They order that the wardens of the bridge at the oversight and discretion of the Mayor make a quay (*keyam*) as far as the road lying on the east side of the walls of Otho Gilberd.

That the same wardens shall repair the defects of the bridge in this year.

That the wardens of the chapel of the blessed Mary Magdalene make anew a roof to the aforesaid chapel in this year.

That no one may place stones on the north side of the bridge to the danger of the subjects of the King under penalty of confiscating them, etc., neither timber under the same penalty, etc.

That Iohannes Symon, Willelmus Row, Galfridus Veale, Robertus Willeam, Robertus Kent and Thomas Brydwode shall be the factors (*procuratores*) and supervisors of the work of the new belfry until the next Law Court held here. And Iohannes Bastard.

That the receiver of pence of the same work renders his account of receipts and expenditure at any Law Court of the Mayor.

That Rogerus Growdon shall be master mason (*lathonius*) of the work of the new belfry.

That the factors begin to dig large stones on the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary and that they shall prepare "shovelys, mattokkys, pekeyse, seseguys and crawes" by the next festival, etc.

Tuesday before 1st May, 1449.

Totteneys. Law Court held on Tuesday before the festival of the Apostles Philip and James in the 27th year of Henry VI.

Twelve before the Mayor: Iohannes Gambon, Iohannes Pascowe, Henricus Merssh, Iohannes Petard, Henricus Holewill, Iohannes Hamelyn, Iohannes Lacch(er), Ricardus Kent, Henricus Norys, Stephanus Bykelond, Jacobus Lucas, Nicholaus Cohew, Willelmus Tydy, Iohannes Dybbe, Rogerus Cole.

Who come and confirm all usages, etc.

They order that the wardens of the church pay Iohannes Pascow 26*s.* 8*d.* And Iohannes Hamelyn 13*s.* 4*d.* at the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist next on condition that the aforesaid Iohannes and Iohannes are prepared at time of payment to deliver all muniments, charters, and evidences belonging to the tenement and close formerly belonging to Patricius Mark which tenement Robertus Kent holds and

which close Willelmus Tydy holds. And that they give up the whole of their right and claim of feofment to the said tenement and close for ever on the surrender of the aforesaid evidence (of ownership).

That no work be undertaken on the church of Totton at the expense of the Sunday pence other than on the building of the belfry until it has reached the roof of the church.

That the said belfry shall be 18 feet on one side and 16 feet on the other.

That the factors may make the foundations of the belfry and that they may take down the porch (? *parvinonem*) likewise and at the same time as clearing of the foundation of the belfry, etc., at the discretion of the master of the work with regard to the safety of the church.

They order that the wardens of the church take down a house in the back part of the tenement of the Blessed Mary in which Walterus Ewan lives. And that they are to save and take care of the stone, tiles and timber of the same.

They order that Ricardus Harry the bailiff of the ville shall have a cloak at the cost of the Mayor and Community by the festival of Pentecost and that Ricardus Bolter shall have another.

That the clerk the water bearer shall ring daily the "daybell" or in any case someone in his place.

That Thomas Hoper and Nicholaus Botelond shall mend the glass windows which their sons broke with stones and be distrained to do this.

That Walterus Mayn shall mend the window of St. George which his son broke. And be distrained.

That the wardens of the bridge shall repair the defects of the bridge by the allotted time.

The wardens of the chapel of St. Petrus and the wardens of the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene shall repair the defects of both chapels by the time allotted. And they are to be warned by the bailiff.

That the brethren and sisters of the house of lepers of the Blessed Mary Magdalene shall have a single "*astrum*" (star—possibly this is a mispelling for "*haustrum*," a water bucket) namely in the hall. And that in future they shall not have their fireside gowns (*focalia*) placed in their rooms but their wraps (*focale*) ought to be kept in the hall where all the brethren and sisters meet (possibly this refers rather to cloaks put on when going out of doors than the strict meaning of the word; "focale" was also used to signify fuel, and perhaps the meaning is that each was not to keep his own store of this commodity but for the general use).

They order that Willelmus Orchard ought to be expelled from the house of lepers of the Blessed Mary Magdalene aforesaid and that moreover he shall not have any share.

They order that the Blessed Maria Magdalene shall have three shares during the building of the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene there. (The hospital was endowed for the upkeep of a certain number of lepers. During the building of the chapel, in other words until the chapel was built, the number of inmates was to be reduced by three, and that proportion of the revenue devoted to the cost of the structure).

That Stephanus Bykelond and Galfridus Martyn, Iohannes Symon, Willelmus Row, Robertus Kent, and Thomas Brydwode shall be factors of the work of the new belfry up to the festival of St. Michael next.

To this Court came Thomas Soper and is admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton and is sworn to keep well and faithfully all the liberties, usages and customs of the Gild aforesaid. And gives to the Mayor and Community as fine for his entry as appears in the margin (13*s.* 4*d.*) Sureties, Galfridus Veale and Willelmus Soper.

Also Robertus Richard is admitted as above and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Iohannes Hakewill and Robertus Kent.

On reverse of membrane:

Totteneys.

Sum of four Courts held there in this year before the Mayor, totals, 39*s.* 8*d.*

Sum of the surplus of the last half of one fifteenth granted by the laity in the last parliament to the King (no amount).

Sum of the surplus of *free assessment* (*libre*) in this year assessed by the twelve (jury), totals, 10*d.*

September, 1448-49. Totteneys. Roll of free assessment in the time of Iohannes Burhed Mayor there in the 27th Henry VI.

Without the east gate:

Robertus Willeam, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Leveton, 2*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, ½*d.*; Petrus Swete, 1½*d.*; Petrus Savery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pralle, 2*d.*; David Wellys, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Durston, ½*d.*; Ricardus Bon, 1½*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 2*d.*; Matildis Herberd, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Compyon, 2*d.*; Willelmus Sayer, 1*d.*; Michel Leche, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Cohew, 3*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 3*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 3½*d.*; Nicholaus Mayow, 1*d.*; Iohannes Down, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolke, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Uphome, 1*d.*; Rogerus Cola, 2½*d.*; Isabella Perkyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Perytt, 1*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 3½*d.*; Henricus

Mersh, 4*d.*; Stephanus Bykelond, 3*d.*; Robertus Harry, 1*d.*; Iohannes Smyth, 2*d.*; Johanna Peyrs, 2*d.*; Henricus Water, 3*d.*; Willelmus Furs, 2*d.* Total, 6*s.* 2*d.*

Collector, Iohannes Cohewe.

Within the gates:

Iohannes Symon, 2*d.*; Reginaldus Wyse, 3½*d.*; Robertus Greyhode, 1½*d.*; Walterus Cola, 2½*d.* (*mortus est*); Ricardus Kent, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Helyer, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Harry, 1*d.*; Thomas Harper, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Rysedon, 3*d.*; Iohannes Fawkener, 2*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 3*d.*; Henricus Holewill, 2½*d.*; Henricus Norys, 4*d.*; Walterus Antron, 2½*d.*; Henricus Attwill, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Burhed, nothing this year because he is Mayor. Iohannes Dybbe, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 1*d.*; Matildis Robyn, 1½*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Gambon, 3*d*,; Walterus Ewan, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Symon miller, 2*d.*; Iohannes Knappe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 4*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 5*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 2*d.*; Alicia Tolke, 2*d.* (*morta est*); Ricardus Geffray, 4*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 3½*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 4*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 1*d.*; Thomas Mayn, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hoygge, 2*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 3*d.*; Stephanus Lome, 2*d.*; Iohannes Attwill, 2*d.*; Thomas Tassell, 1½*d.*; Bartholomeus Fays, 4*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Cohewe, 4*d.*; Henricus Antron, 3*d.*; Iohannes Shiplegh, 2*d.*; Ricardus Martyn, 3*d.*; Willelmus Hawkyn, 3*d.* Total, 10*s.* 10*d.*

Collector, Iohannes Attwill.

Without the west gate:

Willelmus Tydy, 3*d.*; Robertus Kente, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Lacch(er), 3*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 2*d.*; Iacobus Lucas, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 3*d.*; Henricus Alyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Thomas Bon, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Iulyan, 2*d.*; Willelmus Nevys, 2*d.*; Ricardus Frenssh, 2*d.*; Mattheus Fremyngton, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Knolle, 2*d.*

Parva Totteneys, 6*d.*; Tybecomb, 3*d.*; Bowdon, 3*d.*; Browneburgh, 3*d.* Total, 3*s.* 10*d.* Collector, Willelmus Nevys. Sum total, 20*s.* 10*d.*

Hugo Stucley esquire sheriff of Devon to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Community of the ville of Totton greeting.

Quotes the mandate of the King ordering proclamation to be made that for the Parliament to assemble at Westminster on the 12th February next, two citizens are to be chosen and their names furnished on an

indenture to be made between the sheriff and the citizens.

1449. The precept of the sheriff is dated at Exeter, 28th January, 27th Henry VI.

The indenture affixed certifies that on the 30th January, 27th Henry VI, two citizens, Adam Cokkys and Iohannes Prall, were elected to be present at the Parliament to be held 12th February following, to the original of which the seal of the Mayor of the aforesaid ville is appended.

Convocations of Clergy. In appended schedules the following were summoned:—

3rd June, 1449. Iohannes Burneby, Archdeacon of Totton.
Iohannes Lacy, Abbat of Torre.
Frater Iohannes, Prior of Totton.
Eight abbats and eight priors.

1st November, 1449. Iohannes Burneby, Archdeacon of Totton.
Iohannes Lacy, Abbat of Torre.
Frater Iohannes, Prior of Totton.
Eight abbats and eight priors.

The Dean and four Archdeacons represent the Clergy.

Tot. Court Roll, M41. Tuesday after 9th October, 1449. Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. Dionisius in the 28th Henry VI.

Twelve for the ville (reference to the King is omitted, and for some reason fourteen names are enrolled):

Henricus Antron, Henricus Merssh, Iohannes Gambon, Iohannes Worthy, Rogerus Symon, Iohannes Hamelyn, Henricus Norys, Iohannes Lacche, Iohannes Rysedon, Henricus Attewill, Ricardus Kent, Henricus Holewill, Iohannes Tolke, Willelmus Tydy.

Who came and on their oath confirmed all usages, customs and liberties of the aforesaid Gild. They present to the following offices for the coming year:

Wardens of the Church of the Blessed Mary: Walterus Antron and Egidius Gelys.

Wardens of St. Leonard and the Holy Cross: Iohannes Warde and Henricus Attewill.

Wardens of the bridge of Totton: Iohannes Pumbele and Galfridus Martyn.

Wardens of the chapel of St. Peter of Totton': Stephanus Bykelonde and Walterus Fays (*dis.*).

Wardens of the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Totton: Willelmus Fursdon and Robertus Richard (*dis.*) [the parenthesis (*dis.*) has

perhaps reference to distraint, owing to injunction issued at previous Law Court. See page 396].

Wardens of the swine without the east gate: Gilbertus Munke and Nicholaus Galyan.

Wardens of the swine within the gates: Iohannes Edward and Iohannes Somer (*dis.*).

Wardens of the swine without the west gate: Iohannes Knyrth and Iohannes Blake (*dis.*).

Wardens of ships: Henricus Antron and Iohannes Hamelyn.

Wardens of fisheries: Rogerus Symon and Iohannes Hokemore.

Wardens of the spring called Lechewill: Iohannes Burhed and Iohannes Worthy.

Wardens of the Spring called Serygyswill: Iohannes Pumbele and Iohannes Cohewe.

Wardens of the spring called Seint Colacyswill: Iohannes Smyth and Ricardus Parfote.

Wardens of the boundaries and of the land of the Community where boundaries are placed: Galfridus Veale and Rogerus Symon.

They order that Iohannes Colyngton (is admitted), Iohannes Toker (fine), Thomas Frenssh (is admitted), Iohannes Noseworthy (is admitted), Iohannes Whiler (fine), and Walterus Lawre (is admitted), shall not occupy henceforth the liberty of the Merchant Gild in fishing and offering the same nor keep an open shop (*shopam apertam*) unless they enter the Merchant Gild before the festival of the Nativity of the Lord next under a penalty of 40*s*. And that the Mayor shall cause this to be carried out.

They order that Nicholaus Radeford henceforth shall not have any pension from the Mayor and Community but that the Mayor and Receiver ought to excuse themselves from not paying his pension on account of the building of the new belfry.

That Petrus Swete has taken in three foreign (*extraneos*) tailors to the harm of the artizans of the ville. And therefore shall be distrained to remove them or be fined by the Mayor.

That Willelmus Tydy and Iohannes Hakewill shall be overseers of the workmen of the new belfry and of the quarrymen holding the office from the Court until the next Law Court.

They order that Iohannes Hokemore shall be receiver of pence (*denar'*) collected for the work of the new belfry.

They present to the Mayoral office for the coming year Iohannes Burhed and he is sworn, etc.

To the office of Receiver for the coming year Galfridus Veale.

To the office of Bailiff of the ville for the coming year Ricardus Harry.

(Reverse of membrane).

They order that no one shall carry the mace before the Mayor unless he be in the Merchant Gild of Totton'.

At this Court Thomas Frenssh is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Iohannes Hokemore and Ricardus Kent.

At this Court Iohannes Colyngton is admitted to the Gild and gives 3*s.* 6*d.* in succession to his father. Sureties, Iohannes Cohew and Iohannes Lacch.

At this Court Willelmus Herte is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Ricardus Kent and Henricus Water.

At this Court Iohannes Noseworthy is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Iohannes Pascow and Iacobus Lucas.

At this Court Walterus Lawry is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Robertus Kent and Iohannes Worthy.

Total, 55*s.* 10*d.*

Tot. Court Roll, M41, contd. 21st December, 1449.

Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Sunday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 28th Henry VI.

To this Court come Walterus Fays, *nil*, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Galyn, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bewpe, 2*d.*; Radulphus Wody, *nil*, 2*d.*; Walterus Weston, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Panter, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Helyer, *nil*, 6*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 2*d.*; Petrus Bydon, 2*d.*; Regulus Gerard, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohanna Austyn, *nil*; Ricardus Lake, *nil*, 2*d.*; Cristina Savage, *nil*, 3*d.*; Iohannes de Vale, 6*d.*; Iohannes Careu, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Denys, 4*d.*; Gilbertus Munke, 2*d.*; Willelmus Row webber, 2*d.*; Iohannes Cok, *nil*, 2*d.*; Ricardus le Tuk, 2*d.*; Johannes Bunker, *nil*, 2*d.*; Thomas Hopere, *nil*, 2*d.*; Ricardus Parfot, 4*d.*; Iohannes Welcomb, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hulett, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pent', *nil*, 3*d.*; Iohannes Toker, 12*d.*; Iohannes Whiler, 6*d.*; Iohannes Iagow, *nil*, 2*d.*; Agneta Ioss, *nil*, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Botelond, *nil*, 2*d.*; Ricardus Foster, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hoigge, *nil*; Willelmus Lamburne, 6*d.*; Willelmus Hopere, *recess*; Willelmus Symon, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Rope, *nil*, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pycott, *nil*, 4*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 3*d.*; Iohannes Laverance, 5*d.*; Iohannes Gome, 2*d.*; Walterus Smyth, 3*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy (crossed out); Iohannes Langge, *perdo*; Iohannes Thomas, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bon, *recess*; and Willelmus Knyzth, 2*d.*, and give to the Mayor as fine for licence to have and sell small merchandise in this year. Also Simon Gildon, 4*d.*; and Iohannes Roper, 6*d.*

Total of the Court, 5*s.* 3*d.*

End of first separate membrane, seventeen and a half inches by eight inches.

Sheriff's writ:

Hugo Stucley Esquire Sheriff of Devon to the Mayor and Bailiffs and to the Community of the ville of Totton greeting. I have received the mandate of the Lord King in these words. Henricus, etc., owing to urgent business, etc., having convened our parliament at Westminster on the 6th November next we order, etc., that from the said villa two citizens are to be elected according to statute and their names indentured between thee and them, etc., etc. Dated under my official seal 14th day of October in the 28th Henry VI.

14th October, 1449.

Endorsed: Iohannes Hobbys and Thomas Calwodeley.

Saturday before 28th October, 1449.

Attached: Indenture made on Saturday before the festival of the Apostles Simon and Iude in the 28th Henry VI witnesses that Iohannes Burhed Mayor of the said ville with the assent of the Bailiffs and Community, etc., certifies to Hugo Stucley Esquire Sheriff of Devon the names of two citizens to attend parliament held at Westminster 6th November next namely, Iohannes Hobbys and Thomas Calwodeley.

Tot.Assess.Roll, M41, contd. Monday before 11th November, 1449.

Totteneys. Roll of the levy of one half of one tenth and of one fifteenth granted to the Lord King by the laity in the last parliament levied there on Monday before the festival of St. Martin in the 28th Henry VI.

Without the east gate:

Iohannes a Gannt, 1*d.*; Petrus Durant, 2*d.*; Walterus Fays, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Galyan, 2*d.*; Radulphus Wody, 2*d.*; Iohannes Beaupe, 3*d.*; Walterus Weston, 3*d.*; Iohannes Nycoll, 2*d.*; Iohannes Panter, 2*d.*; Robertus Willeam, 10*d.*; Iohannes his son, 2*d.*; Ricardus Leveton, 6*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, 2*d.*; Petrus Swete, 4*d.*; David Wellys, 10*d.*; Petrus Savery, 4*d.*; Iohannes Pralle, 6*d.*; Beatrix his servant, 1*d.*; Ricardus Bove, 4*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Matilda Herberd, 3*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 6*d.*; Iohannes Compyon, 5*d.*; Alicia Bartour, 2*d.*; Thomas Loragh, 5*d.*; Willelmus Sayer, 4*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 5*d.*; Iohannes Coke, 1*d.*; Willelmus Smyth, 2*d.*; Isota Lucas, 1*d.*; Thomas Alston, 1*d.*; Iohannes Leche, 1*d.*; Michel' Leche, 8*d.*; Petrus Bydon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Cohewe, 8*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 3*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 9*d.*; Iohannes Downe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 9*d.*; two servants of his, 2*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 8*d.*; Iohanna his servant, 1*d.*; Isabella his servant, 1*d.*; Thomas Soper, 5*d.*; Nicholaus Mayhowe, 4*d.*; Willelmus Tolke, 5*d.*; Amicia his

mother, 1*d.*; Ricardus Uphom, 3*d.*; Rogerus Cola, 8*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 4*d.*; Iohannes Salmon, 3*d.*; Iohanna Austyn, 2*d.*; Ricardus Lake, 1*d.*; Ricardus Bolter, 2*d.*; Cristina Parker, 2*d.*; Isota Sutrix, 1*d.*; Iohannes de Vale, 1*d.*; Iohannes Careu, 4*d.*; Iohannes Denys, 3*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 12*d.*; two servants of his, 2*d.*; Gilbertus Munk, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pyrot, 2*d.*; Henricus Merssh, 12*d.*; three servants of his, 3*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Merssh, 1*d.*; Iohannes Merssh, 1*d.*; Ricardus le Tuk, 3*d.*; Stephanus Byklond, 8*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Pycott, 4*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 1*d.*; Iohannes Roper, 3*d.*; Robertus Harry, 4*d.*; Iohannes Smyht, 6*d.*; Thomas Hoper, 3*d.*; Willelmus Gibbe, 1*d.*; Ricardus Parfote, 4*d.*; Iohannes Wilcomb, 2*d.*; Iohanna Peyrs, 3*d.*; Iohannes Bunker, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hulet, 3*d.*; Willelmus Bawdyn, 1*d.*; Henricus Water, 6*d.*; Iohannes Paynter, 1*d.*

Total, 25*s.* 2*d.* Sworn Assessors, David Wellys and Robertus Willeam. Collectors, Henricus Water and Ricardus Bolter.

Within the gates:

Iohannes White, 3*d.*; Regulus Wyse, 6*d.*; Robertus Greyhode, 3*d.*; Willelmus Herte, 8*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 12*d.*; one servant of his, 1*d.*; Willelmus Helyer, 2*d.*; Ricardus Harry, 2*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 2*d.*; Thomas Harper, 6*d.*; Iohannes Toker, 4*d.*; Iohannes Fuwkener, 2*d.*; Iohannes Rysedon, 8*d.*; two servants of his, 2*d.*; Iohannes Goneton, 2*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 8*d.*; Simon Gildon, 8*d.*; Philippus Whiler, 4*d.*; Iohannes Creynok, 2*d.*; Henricus Holewill, 7*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Henricus Norys, 14*d.*; Henricus Attewill, 8*d.*; Walterus Antron, 8*d.*; Iohannes Dybbe, 8*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Burhed, 2*s.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 6*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 2*s.*; two servants of his, 2*d.*; Matildis Robyn, 4*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 6*d.*; Margeria Geille, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Butlond, 6*d.*; Thomas Fremssh [*sic*], 6*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 12*d.*; Iohannes Gambon, 10*d.*; Ricardus Hille, 1*d.*; Iohannes Prygge, 1*d.*; Henricus Oldereve, 1*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 12*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 4*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 8*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 8*d.*; Iohannes Symon miller, 8*d.*; Iohannes Knappe, 6*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 20*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 2*s.*; Ricardus Geffray, 10*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 14*d.*; Iohannes Edward, 1*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 8*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, 4*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 20*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 20*d.*; Ricardus Foster, 2*d.*; Thomas Mayn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 2*d.*; Ricardus Hoigge, 8*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 14*d.*; Thomas Tassell, 8*d.*; Bartholomeus Foys, 14*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 2*d.*; Robertus Rychard, 7*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Cohewe, 14*d.*; Henricus Antron, 14*d.*; Willelmus

Lamburne, 3*d.*; Iohannes his son, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hoygge, 2*d.*; Iohannes Iagowe, 1*d.*; Ricardus Merefield, 3*d.*; Iohannes Herte, 10*d.*; Ricardus Rodde, 10*d.*; Thomas Hexte, 12*d.*; Iohannes Wyndessor, 12*d.*; Stephanus Pakke, 6*d.*; Nicholaus Godeman, 12*d.*; Vincencius Stappe, 2*d.*; Walterus Martyn, 4*d.*

Total, 47*s.* ?*d.* Assessors, Rogerus Symon and Nicholaus Cohewe. Collectors, Iohannes Gambon and Henricus Holewill.

(Reverse of membrane).

Without the west gate:

Willelmus Hoper, 2*d.*; Iohannes Rope, 2*d.*; Willelmus Symon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hoigge, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tydy, 8*d.*; Ricardus Perytt, 1*d.*; Petrus Perytt, 2*d.*; Robertus Kent, 6*d.*; Iohannes Rowe, 6*d.*; Iohannes Lacch, 12*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 6*d.*; Iohannes his son 1*d.*; Iohannes Cholewyll, 2*d.*; Iacobus Lucas, 12*d.*; Iohannes Laverance, 4*d.*; Iohannes Gome, 3*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 3*d.*; Walterus Durant, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 1*d.*; Henricus Alyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 4*d.*; Willelmus Taylour, 1*d.*; Willelmus Davy, 4*d.*; Nichola Attelake, 1*d.*; Thomas Brydwode, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bon, 1*d.*; Thomas Bon, 2*d.*; Thomas Hamelyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Ewan, 1*d.*; Willelmus Knyzth, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, 1*d.*; Willelmus Strepe, 1*d.*; Walterus Colrygge, 1*d.*; Ricardus Stephyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Huchyn, 3*d.*; Simon Burton, 2*d.*; Willelmus Nevys, 6*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pascowe, 10*d.*; Iohannes Blake 1*d.*; Walterus Lawre, 2*d.*

Parva Totteneys, 15*d.*; Tybecomb, 6*d.*; Bowdon, 15*d.*; Brownebugh, 15*d.*; Iohannes Brouse de Aysshpryngton, 3*d.*; Iohannes atte Hele, 1*d.*; Willelmus Hawkyn, 6*d.*; Mattheus Fremyngton, 6*d.*; Ricardus Fremyngton, 4*d.*; Ricardus Willeam, 2*d.*; Walterus Boyer, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hough, 2*d.*; Willelmus Lappe, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hethe, 2*d.*; Robertus Cole, 2*d.*; Willelmus Wylcomb and Iohannes Wilcomb for Craklond, 1*d.* Total, 17*s.* 4*d.* Assessors, Willelmus Tydy and Iohannes Pascowe. Collectors, Iohannes Gome and Iohannes Lokke.

Sum total, 4*l.* 10*s.* 3*d.*

The above assessment levied and delivered to the Mayor and Receiver of the aforesaid ville 4*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*

And the Mayor and Receiver paid the Collector of the Lord King 4*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.*

End of fourth membrane measuring twenty-eight and a half inches by seven and three-quarter inches.

Tot.Assess.Roll, M41, contd.

Totteneys. Roll of free levy in the time of Iohannes Burhed Mayor there in the 28th Henry VI.

Without the east gate:

Robertus Willeam, 4*d.*; Ricardus Loveton, 1½*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, ½*d.*; Petrus Swete, 1½*d.*; Petrus Savery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Prall, 2*d.*; David Wellys, 3½*d.*; Ricardus Bove, 1½*d.*; ✠ Matild' Herberd, 1*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Compyon, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Sayer, 1½*d.*; Michel Leche, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Cohew, 3*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 3*d.*; Iohannes Downe, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Mayowe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 3*d.*; Willelmus Tolke, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Uphome, 1*d.*; Rogerus Cole, 3*d.*; ✠ Isabella Perkyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Peryt, ½*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 3½*d.*; Henricus Merssh, 4*d.*; Stephanus Bykelond, 3*d.*; Robertus Harry, 1*d.*; Iohannes Smyth, 2*d.*; Iohanna Peyrs, 1½*d.*; Henricus Water, 3*d.*; ✠ Willelmus Furs, 2*d.* Total, 5*s.* 11*d.* Collector, Willelmus Tolke.

Within the gates:

✠ Iohannes Symon, 1*d.*; ✠ Regulus Wyse, 3*d.*; Thomas Soper, 1*d.*; Robertus Greyhode, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Helyer, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Harry, 1*d.*; Isabell' Harper, 2*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Rysedon, 3*d.*; ✠ Iohannes Faukener, 1*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 3*d.*; Henricus Holewill, 3*d.*; Henricus Norys, 4*d.*; Walterus Antron, 2½*d.*; Henricus Attewill, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Burhed, nothing because he is Mayor; Iohannes Dybbe, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 2*d.*; Matild' Robyn 1½*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Coleton, 3*d.*; Willelmus Hert, 2*d.*; Iohannes Gambon, 3*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Symon, 2½*d.*; Thomas Frenssh, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 4*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 4*d.*; Iohannes Knappe, 2*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 1½*d.*

(Reverse of membrane).

Ricardus Geffray, 3*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 4*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Furssdon, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 4*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 1*d.*; Thomas Mayn, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hoygge, 2*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 3*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 1*d.*; Iohannes Attewill, 1*d.*; Thomas Tassell, 2*d.*: Bartholomeus Fays, 3*d.*; Robertus Rychard, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Cohew, 4*d.*; Henricus Antron, 3*d.*; Stephanus Lome, 1*d.*; Iohannes Shiplegh, 2*d.*: Ricardus Martyn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Hawkyn, 2*d.*

Total, 10*s.* 7*d.* Collector, Walterus Mayn.

Without the west gate:

Willelmus Tydy, 3*d.*; Robertus Kent, 1*d.*; Iohannes Thurston, ½*d*;

Iohannes Lacch, 3*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 2*d.*; Iacobus Lucas, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pascowe, 3*d.*; Henricus Alyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Thomas Bove, 1*d.*; Iohannes Iulyan, 2*d.*; Willelmus Nevys, 2*d.*; Ricardus Frenssh, 2*d.*; Mattheus Fremyngton, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Knoll, 2*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 1*d.*; Walterus Lawry, 1*d.*; Parva Tottoneys, 6*d.*; Tybecomb, 3*d.*; Bowdon, 3*d.*; Bronneburgh, 3*d.*

Total, 3*s.* 11½*d.* Collector, Willelmus Tydy.

Sum total, 22*s.* 5½*d.*

End of fifth membrane, measuring twenty-five inches by three and three-quarter inches.

Collectors' receipt affixed—parchment strip, ten inches by one inch.

Be it known that I Robertus Stephyn one of the collectors of the Lord King in the county of Devon have received, etc., the last half of one xv and x and the half of xv and x from the burg of Totton granted to the King in the last parliament. With which *denarii* I have caused myself to be paid by these presents. Sealed by my seal. Dated 22nd October in 27th Henry VI.

22nd October, 1448.

Tot. Court Roll M41, contd. Thursday after 13th January, 1450.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. Hillary in the 28th year of Henry VI.

Twenty-four for the ville.

Willelmus Row, Iohannes Worthy, Henricus Antron junior, Iohannes Hokemor junior, Iohannes Gambon, Iohannes Pycard, Willelmus Boys, Rogerus Symon, Iohannes Hakewyll, Nicholaus Cohu, Willelmus Tydy, Henricus Norys, Egidius Gelie, Ricardus Kent, Robertus Wyllam, Thomas Tassell, Henricus Attewyll, Iohannes Pumbele, Willelmus Tolke, Iohannes Lacch junior, Bartholomeus Fays, Henricus Holewyll, Hur' Attewater, Willelmus Hertte.

Who come and on their oath confirm the customs, etc.

They present to the office of Receiver of *denarii* collected for the work of the belfry: Iohannes Hokemor to the next Law Court held.

To the office of overseers of the same work: Willelmus Row, Iohannes Hokemor, Rogerus Symon and Nicholaus Cohew to the next Law Court held at the festival of St. Michael.

They appoint to the office of collectors of the Sunday *denarii* through the whole ville: Galfridus Vele, Willelmus Tolke, Iohannes Worthy, Iohannes Hakewyll, Iohannes Lacch and Thomas Byrdwode.

That Iohannes Huchyn shall deliver to the wardens of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Tottonia before the Mayor in the Gildhallia such

goods and chattels as his father bequeathed to be delivered to the same wardens.

That whoever, brother or sister, entering the aforesaid house, at the close of his life shall bequeath there one couch (*lectum*), one platter (*patella*), and one pot (*olla*) in the care of the said wardens for the support of the said house and chapel unless he be so poor that he has not such goods.

That the wardens of the said house keep a book of the day of entry of the brethren and sisters there and of the goods delivered by the same to the said house and to reckon annually.

That Margeria who was the wife of Hugo Iulian shall be a sister of the aforesaid house and that she shall deliver to the store of the said house two sheets (*lodices*), two towels (*linth'*), one coverlet, three brass platters, one brass pot, one coffer and one table.

That large stones should be fixed on the quay (*stapulare super keyam*).

That the stones be dressed and carried by barge at the cost of the Parish and not from the Sunday *denarii* collected as above.

Whoever does not pay the Sunday *denarii* ought to be distrained by collecting as above.

That the overseer of the work of the belfry shall view the different belfries in the country, namely Kelington, Bokelond, Tavistok and Asshberton and according to the best made of them should make the belfry of Tottonia.

Kelington is Callington (eight and a half miles west by north of Liskeard), the granite church tower and probably the church had recently been built. The brass to Sir Nich. Assheton (d. 1465) and his wife doubtless commemorate the patrons.

Bokelond. Of the seven places of this name Buckland Brewer is most likely the church referred to. The Norman church was destroyed by lightning in 1399, and the present tower, seventy-six feet high, would have been recently completed when the "belfry of Tottonia" was undertaken. The tower of Tavistock, one hundred and six feet high, and that of Ashburton, ninety-two feet high, had both been recently built.

1449. 3rd April. Prior Richard Stoke granted X*li.* to the work of the new belfry being made at the west end of the parish church of Tottonia. Dr. Oliver records this and adds, "the remnant of his seal, representing the Assumption of the blessed Virgin, and himself below in the attitude of devotion, is singularly beautiful," but does not say where he saw the deed (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 239).

Tot. Court Roll, M41, contd. Tuesday before 23rd April, 1450.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday before the festival of St. George the Martyr in the 28th of Henry VI.

Twenty-four for the ville.

Iohannes Prall, Iohannes Gambon, Iohannes Worthy, Henricus Antron, Iohannes Petard, Egidius Gelys, Willelmus Boys, Willelmus Bythewater, Iohannes Hamelyn, Henricus Merssh, Henricus Norys, Willelmus Tydy, Iohannes Lacch, Henricus Holewill, Bartholomeus Fays, Iohannes Pumbele, Ricardus Kent, Walterus Antron, Iohannes Pascow, Iohannes Downyng, Petrus Savery, Robertus Greyhode, Iohannes Rysedon, Rogerus Cole.

Who came and confirmed all customs, etc.

That Iohannes Burhed may receive annually from the wardens of the bridge 13*s* 4*d*. until Iohannes shall be fully paid for the extra work done by him on the building of "la Keya."

That all the officials of the ville, provosts as well as other officials, ought to be elected according to ancient custom and that those who voluntarily give their goods for charity to the new work of the belfry shall have greater respect and special favor for the office of provost from the Mayor and Community.

That all wardens of the town who are in any way in office and who formerly were, ought to place their arrears without delay towards the building of the new belfry under penalty of a case being taken against them at the next Court after the festival of the Nativity of St. John in the name of the Mayor and Community.

That Willelmus Redeclyff shall be an inmate (*confrater*) of the house of the Blessed Mary Magdalene on condition that he deliver to the wardens of the said house for the support of the house two brass platters, one coffer and one canopy (*canopeum*) and is admitted and took the oath.

That Willelmus Pichard shall be an inmate of the aforesaid house and the same Willelmus is elected to the steward of the same house and thus is admitted and took the oath.

(Reverse of membrane).

Tot. Court Roll, M41, contd. 14th August, 1450.

Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Saturday the eve of the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the 28th Henry VI.

At this Court the whole Community of the burg of Totton' elect to the office of provost according to the custom of the same burg Willelmus Furs whom it is presented should be summoned to the next Law Court of the Lord and should be kept on oath to the aforesaid office.

End of the sixth membrane, measuring nineteen inches by eight inches.

16th November, 1449. Memorandum that on the 16th November in the 28th Henry VI Thomas Lovensy one of the collectors of the Lord King received, as the half of one tenth and of one fifteenth granted in the last parliament, from the hands of Iohannes Burhed Mayor of Totton for the said burg 4*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.* whilst he delivered to the same Mayor for the mitigation of the tax 20*s.* on account of Willelmus Hyndeston and Sir Iohannes Hacch elected to parliament on the 16th October.

Paid to the aforesaid Thomas for his kindness (*amicitia*): 3*s.* 4*d.*

And to the same for acquittance as receiver: 4*d.*, in agreement 2*d.*

And from the same tax (the word *denar'* is used) paid to Willelmus Northehode and Willelmus Simon for sawing (*sarracione*) two hundred and twenty feet of poplar wood given by the brethren of Warlond at 22*d.* "le C": 5*s.* 10*d.*

And to Willelmus Northode for shaping (*apparalacione*) twenty-four shields (*pavys*) and making ornaments to the scutcheons, work for three and a half days: 18*d.*

To Iohannes Pegot painter for painting the "*paveys*": 6*s.*

To Iohannes Smyth for four "dozens" of nails: 2*d.*

To the same Iohannes for twenty-four hooks (*hok'*) for hanging the same "*pavys*": 6*d.*

To Iohannes Sadiller for properly stretching with hides the said "*pavys*" (*pro coreis dict' pavys surgend'*): 6*d.*

The word "paveys" is derived from Pavia in Italy where these bucklers were originally made. They were introduced after the days of Crecy and Poictiers (1346 and 1356) as a protection against arrows and were convex shields of wood faced with leather and carried by a page before the knight or archer and were long enough to rest on the ground. An elaborately decorated pavise of German make is to be seen in the Wallace collection.

Total received, 20*s.* Expended, 18*s.* 4*d.* Owing, 20*d.*

End of small membrane eight inches by six inches.

15th November, 1449. Receipt from Thomas Loveney one of the collectors of the King for all *denarii* of the last half of one fifteenth for the half of one fifteenth from the burg of Tottenesse. Dated 15th November in the 28th Henry VI.

4th June, 1460. A writ from Baldwinus Fulford knight, Sheriff of Devon to the Mayor of the ville of Totton summoning to appear at Exeter on Tuesday after the festival of the Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr, Iohannes Hokemore Mayor of the said ville and Rogerus Symon, Iohannes Worthy,

Iohannes Colyngton, Thoma Tassell, Iohannes Holman, Willelmus Sayer, Iohannes Noseworthy, Henricus Seater, Ambrosius Franke, Iohannes Cohew, Iohannes William and Ricardus Bove before the Iustices of the Lord King for peace in the said county to answer enquiry on the part of the Lord King etc. Dated 4th Iune 38th Henry VI.

26th August, 1460. A writ from the Sheriff Sir Baldwinus Fulford for the election of two citizens to attend parliament at Westminster on the 7th October next the names of which citizens are to be furnished under penalty of one hundred *solidi*. Dated 26th August the 38th Henry VI.

12th March, 1461. A writ from the Sheriff Sir Baldwinus Fulford ordering the Mayor to appear before the Iustices at Exon on Tuesday after Easter next as also twenty-four men of the ville to make enquiry, etc. Dated 12th March in the 38th Henry VI.

Easter 1461. Totteneys. List of the jury (lit. Panel) returned by the Mayor to be present at Exon on Tuesday after Easter in the 38th of Henry VI.

Rogerus Symon, Iohannes Worthy, Iohannes Colyngton, Thomas Tassell, Iohannes Holman, Willelmus Sayer, Iohannes Noseworthy, Henricus Water, Ambrosius Franke, Iohannes Cohewe, Iohannes Willeam and Ricardus Bove.

26th August, 1460. A writ from the Sheriff ordering Iohannes Hokemore and the above to appear at Exon on Thursday after the festival of St. Michael, etc. Dated 26th August in the 38th Henry VI.

10th March, 1440. A writ from the Sheriff Sir Willelmus Beauchamp conveying the mandate of the King to distrain all the lands, goods, etc., in his bailliwick of the following: Willelmus Rowe, Iohannes Nevys, Regulus Veyse, Iohannes Burhed, Iohannes Pascowe, Rogerus Cole, Willelmus Soper, Galfridus Veale, Robertus William, Willelmus Tolke, Stephanus Bykelond and Iohannes Dybbe jury of the burg of Totton, to summon them before the Iustices at Exon on Wednesday after Easter. Dated at Exon on the 10th March in the 18th of Henry VI.

1449. 25th October. Compulsion under the seal of the President of the Consistory Court at Exeter to compel Lord Iohannes Hoygg, chaplain at Tywardreth, to undertake the care of the parochial chapel of St. Luca, dependent upon the mother church of St. Austoli for a competent salary paid by Lord Philippus the Vicar (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 28,867. 1449. 5th November. Thomas Harper of Totteneys grants to Robert Welstorr the estate, for term of life, which he has in a tenement in Bowedon which he (Thomas) had by enfeofment of John Bowedon parson

of the church of Dertyngton. To have and to hold the same estate of the term to the said Robert freely and quietly for ever. Rendering therefor to the said Thomas and Isabella his wife and their assigns annually the sum of 7*s*. and to the chief lords the rents and services due therefor. Should Thomas die within 7 years then the said yearly rent shall be kept by his executors for the marriages of Ioan and Ioan [*sic*] his two daughters if living, otherwise to be disposed for the safety of his soul. Both parties have appended their seals.

Witnessed by: 1 John Burhed; 2 Richard Kent; 3 Egidius Giles, and others.

Dated 5th November in the 28th year of the reign of King Henry VI.

1450. 5th January. The Abbat of Torre is commissioned by Bishop Lacy to collect the first half of a tithe in Devon.

14th February. The names of those clergy paying the subsidy of 6*s*. 8*d*. levied by Bishop Lacy.

In the Deanery of Totton:

Lord Iohannes Bonde chaplain of the chantry of Waysshebome.

Lord Thomas Strangeour chaplain of the parish of Hurberton.

Lord Iohannes Abbot chaplain of the chapel of Halewyll.

Lord Nicholaus chaplain of the parish of Dupeford.

Lord David Frensshe chaplain annivellar at Brente.

Lord Iohannes Mede chaplain annivellar at Totton'.

Lord Robertus Edward chaplain annivellar at Totton'.

Lord Petrus Savery chaplain of the chantry on the bridge at Totton'.

Lord Thomas Dery chaplain at Dydesham.

Lord Iohannes Courteys chaplain within the parish of Stokeflemyng.

Lord Iohannes Yabbecomb chaplain of Dertmouth.

Lord Willelmus Legh chaplain of Dertmouth.

Lord Iohannes Patull chaplain of Blakawton.

Frater Nicholaus Lyneer warden of the chapel of Warlond within the parish of Totton'.

In the Deanery of Ippelpen:—

Lord Willelmus Valans chaplain of the chapel of Kynggiswere.

Lord Iohannes Davy chaplain of the chapel of Churcheton.

Lord Iohannes Bono chaplain of the chapel of Marledon.

Lord Ricardus Goff chaplain annivellar at Peyngton.

Lord Iohannes Atreo chaplain annivellar at Peyngton.

Lord Philippus Tremyth chaplain of the parish of Torremon.

Lord Ricardus Sampson chaplain annivellar at Cokynton.

Lord Ricardus Cole chaplain of the chapel of Carswill Regis.
Lord Ricardus Chester chaplain of the chapel of Coffynnywyll.
Lord Iohannes Whitechurche chaplain of the parish of Wolburgh.
Lord Nicholaus Paschaw chaplain of Torrebrian.
Lord Willelmus Mersshefild chaplain of the parish of Denbury.
Lord Willelmus Bowchirche chaplain of Staverton.
Lord Willelmus Hillyng chaplain annivellar at Staverton.
Lord Iohannes Pulliford, chaplain annivellar at Ippelpen.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxiii. 1450.

Be it known, etc., we Ricardus Perytt and Petrus Perytt have conceded to Thoma Tassell and Iohanna his wife all our property of one close of land which lies in Great Totteneys without the west gate there on the north side of the way which leads from Tottonia towards Bronneburgh between the land of the Lord of Little Tottonia on the east side and the close of Henricus *Fo(y?)* (probably Foys, see name of juryman in deed clxiv) on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., from the festival of Easter next after the date of these presents for the term of six years, etc. Whilst rendering annually to us five *solidi* and four *denarii* at the four principal terms of the year in equal portions. Of which rent we the aforesaid Ricardus and Petrus have been paid five *solidi* and four *denarii* hand money for the two first years of the aforesaid period. And if the aforesaid rent should be in arrears for twenty days then we are licensed to distrain, etc. And we the aforesaid Ricardus and Petrus undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing the aforesaid Ricardus and Petrus as well as the aforesaid Thomas and Iohanna have alternately appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Ricardus Tucker; 2 Iohannes Hokemore; 3 Rogerus Symon; 4 Iohannes Hakewelle; 5 Rogerus Cole, and others.

Dated at Totteneys on the first day of March in the twenty-eighth year of the reign of King Henry the sixth, (1st March 1450).

Appended two parchment tags to which are attached small red wax seals: the first bears the letter P; the second J.

23rd August. The Prior of Tywardreyth is commissioned to collect the subsidy of two *solidi*.

17th February, 1450.

Penitentiaries in the Deanery of Totton:

Lord Thoma Flygher Rector of Dydesham, Lord Iohannes Abell perpetual Vicar of Brixham, Lord Iohannes Frensshe Vicar of Brente,

Lord Willelmus Howsyng Vicar of Totton' and Lord Willelmus Hehawes Rector of Stokeflemyng.

18th February, 1451. The following year the same were appointed.

Tot. Court Roll, M34b. Six membranes of various size tied together at top by strip. The first two are mandate slips with small seals attached to first, eleven inches by three and three-quarter inches and eleven inches by three inches respectively. The third a thin strip ten inches by one and a quarter inch. The fourth is an assessment roll twenty-one inches by four and a half inches, followed by two larger rolls twenty-six inches by eight inches.

8th October, 1450. Jacobus Chudley Sheriff of Devon to the Mayor, Bailiffs and Community of the ville of Totteneys greeting. I have received the mandate of the Lord King in these words. Henricus, etc., etc. The mandate requires two "burgenses" to be elected and sent to the parliament to meet at Westminster on the festival of St. Leonard (6th November). Dated at Exeter "under the seal of my office" on the 8th October in the 29th Henry VI.

To strip cut from parchment a small black seal is affixed, the impress is a shield measuring half an inch across, the device shows a central design with figures right and left in chief, but much too blurred to indentify anything.

12th October, 1450. This indenture made at Totteneys on the 12th October in the 29th Henry VI between Jacobus Chudley Sheriff of Devon and the Mayor, Bailiffs and Community of the aforesaid ville witnesses that Iohannes Burhed Mayor, etc., etc., certifies to the Sheriff the names of two citizens to attend on behalf of the aforesaid ville the parliament of the Lord King to be held on the festival of St. Leonard next namely Thoma Calwodeley and Iohannes Hobbys.

20th October, 1450. Be it known that I Thoma Loveney a collector of the Lord King in the county of Devon have received and had four parts of one XVth from the ville and burg of Totton granted to the King in the last parliament. Concerning which *denarii* I acknowledge payment has been made in this manner and by the sign of my seal. Dated the 20th October in the 29th Henry VI.

Appended small fragment of red wax seal bearing what is possibly intended to be an antlered stag's head.

Tot. Assess. Roll, M34b, contd. Totteneys. Roll of free assessment (*posite*) in the time of Iohannes Burhed Mayor there in the 29th Henry VI.

1450-51. Without the east gate:

Robertus Willatin, 4*d.*; Ricardus Leveton, 1½*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, ½*d.*; Petrus Swete, 2*d.*; Petrus Savery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Prall, 2*d.*; David Wellys, 4*d.*; Ricardus Bove (or Bone, this may be intended for Dove), 1½*d.*; Thomas Canon, 1½*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 3*d.*; Iohannes Cempyon, 2*d.*; Willelmus Sayer, 2*d.*; Michel Leche, 2*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Cohew, 3*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Downe, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Mayhowe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Sopere, 3*d.*; Willelmus Tolke, 2½*d.*; Ricardus Uphome, 1*d.*; Rogerus Cole, 3*d.*; Iohannes Willeam, 1*d.*; Iohannes Perytt, 1*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 3½*d.*; Euric Merssh, 4*d.*; Stephanus Bykelond, 3*d.*; Robertus Harry, 1*d.*; Iohannes Smyth, 2*d.*; Iohannes Peyrs, 2½*d.*; Henricus Water, 3*d.*; Iohanna Furs, 1*d.*

Total, 6*s.* 1*d.* Collector, Willelmus Sayer.

Within the gates:

Regulus Wyse, 1½*d.*; Walterus Ewan junior, 1*d.*; Thomas Soper, 2*d.*; Robertus Greyhode, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Herte, 3*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Helyer, 1*d.*; Ricardus Harry, 1*d.*; Isabella Harper, 2*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Toker, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Rysedon, 2½*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 3½*d.*; Henricus Helewill, 3½*d.*; Henricus Norys, 4*d.*; Walterus Antron, 2½*d.*; Henricus Attewell, 2*d.*; Iohannes Burhed, nothing because he is Mayor; Iohannes Dybbe, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 2*d.*; Matildis Robyn, 1½*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Colyngton, 3½*d.*; Thomas Frenssh, 1½*d.*; Philippus Whiler, 1*d.*

(Reverse of membrane): Iohannes Cambon, 1½*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 1*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Symon, 3*d.*; Iohannes Knappe, 2*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 4*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 4*d.*; Ricardus Geffray, 3*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 4*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 4*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 4*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 1*d.*; Thomas Mayn, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hoygge, 2*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 3*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 1*d.*; Thomas Tassell, 2½*d.*; Bartholomeus Fays, 3½*d.*; Cristina Richard, 1½*d.*; Nicholaus Echewe, 4*d.*; Henricus Antron, 3*d.*; Iohannes Shyplegh, 1*d.*; Ricardus Martyn, 3*d.*; Willelmus Hawkyn, 3*d.*; Iohannes Attewill, 2*d.*

Total, 10*s.* 11*d.* Collector, Walterus Antron.

Without the west gate:

Willelmus Tydy, 3*d.*; Robertus Kent, 1*d.*; Iohannes Thurston, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lacche, 3*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 2*d.*; Jacobus Lucas, 3*d.*;

Iohannes Pascowe, 3*d.*; Henricus Alyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Julyan, 2*d.*; Willelmus Nenys, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Frenssh, 2*d.*; Matheus Fremyngton, 3*d.*; Nicholaus Knolle, 2*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 2*d.*; Marina Lowry, 1*d.*; Parva Totton', 6*d.*; Tybecombe, 3*d.*; Bowedon, 3*d.*; Browneburgh, 3*d.*

Total, 3*s.* 11½*d.* Collector, Iohannes Huchyn.

Tot. Assess. Roll, M34b, contd. 8th October, 1450.

Totteneys. Roll of the assessment of a quarter part of one tenth and of one fifteenth conceded to the Lord King by the laity in the last parliament, levied there on the 8th October in the 29th of King Henry VI.

Without the east gate:

Iohannes a Gannt, 1*d.*; Walterus Fays, 1½*d.*; Nicholaus Gahan, 1*d.*; Radulfus Wody, 1*d.*; Iohannes Beaupe, 1½*d.*; Walterus Weston, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Nycoll, 1*d.*; Iohannes Panter, 1½*d.*; Robertus Willeam, 5*d.*; Ricardus Leveton, 3*d.*; Thomas Moulyssh, 1*d.*; Ricardus Mowlyssh, 1*d.*; Petrus Swete, 2*d.*; David Wellys, 5*d.*; Petrus Savery, 2*d.*; Iohannes Prall, 4*d.*; Iohanna Hert, 1*d.*; Beatrix her servant, ½*d.*; Ricardus Bone, 2*d.*; Thomas Canon, 2*d.*; Galfridus Martyn, 3*d.*; Iohannes Compyon, 2½*d.*; Alicia Bartour, 1*d.*; Thomas Loranzth, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Sayerer, 2½*d.*; Willelmus Bryan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Coke, 1*d.*; Willelmus Smyzth, 1*d.*; Thomas Alston, 1*d.*; Vincencius Alston, 1*d.*; Michelus Leche, 3*d.*; Iohannes Leche, 1*d.*; Agnes Leche, 1*d.*; Petrus Bydon, 1*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 1*d.*; Iohannes Cohewe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Petard, 4½*d.*; Iohannes Downe, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 4½*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Willelmus Soper, 4*d.*; two servants of his, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Mayhowe, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolke, 2½*d.*; Amicia his mother, ½*d.*; Ricardus Uphome, 1½*d.*; Gilbertus Munke, 1*d.*; Rogerus Cola, 4*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Salmon, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tolke junior, 1½*d.*; Isota Lucas, 1*d.*; Ricardus Bolter, 1*d.*; Amicia Denys, 1*d.*; Ricardus Lake, 1*d.*; Iohannes de Vale, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Careu, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Willeam, 2*d.*; (blank for name, probably servant), 1*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 6*d.*; two servants of his, 1*d.*; Isabella Perkyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Peryt, 1*d.*; Henricus Merssh, 6*d.*; three servants of his, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 1*d.*; Iohannes Merssh, 1*d.*; Ricardus le Conk, 1½*d.*; Stephanus Bykelond, 4*d.*; Ricardus his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Mayhowe, 1*d.*; Iohannes Roper, 1½*d.*; Robertus Harry, 2*d.*; Petrus Durant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Smyth, 3*d.*; Thomas Hoper, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Parfote, 3*d.*; Iohannes Wilcomb, 1*d.*; Iohanna Peyrs, 1*d.*; Iohannes Bunker, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hulet, 1*d.*; Henricus Water, 3*d.*; his servant, ½*d.*; Willelmus Trevyk, 1*d.*; Matildis Hoigge, 1*d.*

Total, 13*s.* 1*d.* Assessors, Rogerus Cole, and David Wellys.

Collectors, Robertus Willeam and Iohannes Salmon.

Commencement of second column:

Within the gates:

Iohannes White, 1½*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 1½*d.*; Margeria his servant, ½*d.*; Thomas Soper, 3*d.*; Iohannes Ewan, 1*d.*; Iohannes Pycott, 2*d.*; Agnes Ioos, ½*d.*; Robertus Greyhode, 1½*d.*; Willelmus Herte, 5*d.*; his servant, ½*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 6*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Willelmus Helyer, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Harry, 1*d.*; Isabella Harper, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Dyer, 1½*d.*: Iohannes Toker. 2½*d.*; Iohanna Serle, ½*d.*; Iohannes Goveton, 1*d.*; Iohannes Rysedon, 4*d.*; Egidius Gelys, 4*d.*; Iohannes Gelys, 1*d.*; Iohanna Fawkener, 1*d.*; Simon Gildon, 4*d.*; Philippus Whiler, 3*d.*; Henricus Holewill, 3½*d.*; three servants of the same, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Iagow, 1*d.*; Henricus Norys, 7*d.*; Henricus Attewill, 4*d.*; two servants of Henricus Norys, 1*d.*; Iohannes Chapelman servant of I. Rysedon, 1*d.*; Walterus Antron, 4*d.*; Iohannes Dybbe, 4*d.*; Iohannes Burhed, 12*d.*; his servant, ½*d.*; Iohannes Ward, 3*d.*; Willelmus Rowe, 12*d.*; two servants of his, 1*d.*; Matildis Robyn, 1*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 3*d.*; Margeria Gille, 1*d.*; Iohannes Creynok, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Botelond, 3*d.*; Thomas Frenssh, 2*d.*; Iohannes Colyngton, 6*d.*; Robertus his son, 1*d.*; Iohannes Gambon, 4*d.*; Ricardus Hille, 1*d.*; Henricus Oldereve, 1*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 6*d.*; Walterus Ewan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Mody, 4*d.*; his servant, ½*d.*; Willelmus Bythewater, 4*d.*; his servant, ½*d.*; Iohannes Symon, 4*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Knappe, 4*d.*; Thomas Pyryham, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hokemore, 10*d.*; two servants of his, 1*d.*; Ricardus Tucker, 12*d.*; two servants of his, 1*d.*; Ricardus Geffray, 5*d.*; Rogerus Symon, 8*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Edward, 1*d.*; Walterus Mayn, 4*d.*; Iohannes Prygge, 1*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, 2*d.*; Willelmus Boys, 10*d.*; Iohannes Hakewill, 10*d.*; Ricardus Foster, 1*d.*; Cecilia Berd, 1*d.*; Thomas Mayn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Forde, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hoigge, 4*d.*; Iohannes Worthy, 7*d.*; Thomas Tassell, 4*d.*; Iohannes Marys, 1*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 1*d.*; Bartholomeus Fays, 7*d.*; Willelmus Richard, 2*d.*; his servant, 1*d.*; Willelmus Waryn, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Cohewe, 8*d.*; Henricus Antron, 7*d.*; Willelmus Lamburne, 2*d.*; Iohannes his son, 1*d.*; Thomas Coperyslond, ½*d.*

(Reverse of membrane, also within the gates):

Ricardus Merefeild, 1*d.*; Iohannes Herte, 6*d.*; Ricardus Rodde, 6*d.*; Iohannes Wyndessore, 6*d.*; Nicholaus Godeman, 4*d.*; Stephanus Pak, 3*d.*; Thomas Hext, 3*d.*; Vincencius Stappe, 2*d.*; Walterus Martyn, 2*d.*

Total, 25*s.* 7½*d.* Assessors, Iohannes Worthy and Iohannes Gambon. Collectors, Willelmus Hert and Iohannes Pycot.

Without the west gate:

Iohannes Rope, 1*d.*; Willelmus Symon, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tydy, 5*d.*; Iohannes Lok junior, 1½*d.*; Ricardus Perytt, 1*d.*; Petrus Perytt, 1*d.*; Iohannes Durston, 1*d.*; Robertus Kent, 3*d.*; Iohannes Paynter, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Laccher, 5*d.*; Iohannes Lok senior, 3*d.*; Jacobus Lucas, 5*d.*; his servant, ½*d.*; Marina (or Marvia) Lawre, 1*d.*; Iohannes Laverance, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bruggerd his servant, 1*d.*; Iohannes Gome, 1½*d.*; Walterus Durant, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Clerk, 1*d.*; Henricus Alyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Willelmus Taylour, 1*d.*; Willelmus Davy, 2*d.*; Thomas Bridwode, 1*d.*; Nich(ifer)a (for some reason the abbreviated word ends in "a" instead of "us" as above) Attelake, 1*d.*; Iohannes Turpyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Tilly, ½*d.*; Willelmus Bawdyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Perytt, ½*d.*; Iohannes Bon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Pascow, 5*d.*; Iohannes Blake, 1*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 2*d.*; Willelmus Nevys, 1½*d.*; Simon Burton, 1*d.*; Iohannes Huchyn, 1½*d.*; Thomas Hamelyn, 1*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Tovyll, 1*d.*; Willelmus Knyzth, 1*d.*; Walterus Serle, ½*d.*; Iohannes Elys, ½*d.*; Walterus Colryg, 1*d.*; Willelmus Bryt, 1*d.*; Ricardus Stephen, 1*d.*; Thomas Bon, 1*d.*

Parva Totteneys, 7½*d.*; Tybecomb. 3*d.*; Bowdon, 7½*d.*; Browneburgh, 7½*d.*; Iohannes Row de Stancomb, 4*d.*; Iohannes Brouse de Aysshprington, 2*d.*; Willelmus Hawkyn, 4*d.*; Matheus Fremyngton. 6*d.*; Ricardus Fremyngton, 2*d.*; Ricardus Willeam, 1*d.*; Walterus Boyer, 1*d.*; Iohannes Hongher, 1*d.*; Willelmus Lappe, 1*d.*; Ricardus Hethe, 1*d.*; Robertus Cole, 1*d.*; Willelmus and Iohannes Wilcomb (together), 1*d.*; Iohannes Wyndessor, 1*d.*

Total, 10*s.* 2*d.* Assessors, Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohannes Huchyn. Collectors, Willelmus Tydy and Iohannes Lok senior.

Sum of totals, 48*s.* 10½*d.*

Commencement of sixth membrane. Small piece attached to same.

In expenses: per Thoma Payn formerly Mayor, 13*s.* 4*d.*

In the hands of Simon Webber, 4*s.* 4*d.*; also 20*d.* from one barrel of oil (*olii*). In the hands of Iohannes Irysshe in the time of Simon Webber, 2*s.* 4*d.*; and also in the hands of the same Iohannes from the debt of Willelmus Scottynger, 5*s.* Also in the hands of Iohannes Ayllemer, 4*s.*

The twelve present as wardens of the market without the east gate: Willelmus Bryan, Iohannes Pytard. Within the gate: Thomas Sompter,

Walterus Tolk. Without the west gate: Robertus Swayn and Iohannes Jurdan.

They say that no one of the name of Hooker has bought any grain at any time.

They say that it has been the custom for the water bearer of Totton to ring the hour of the day and that he has carried holy water (*aquam benedictam*) to anyone on Sunday throughout the whole ville of Totton.

They say that the officials have a day for collecting the dues and that whoever is deputed to levy and bring otherwise ought to wait (*i.e.*, the officials of the Gild should take precedence of all others on that day).

Tot. Court Roll, M42. Tuesday after 18th October, 1450.

Single membrane, twenty-six inches by eight inches.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 29th Henry VI.

Twelve sworn in the presence of (*coram*) the Mayor:

Iohannes Prall, Iohannes Hokemor, Henricus Merssh, Henricus Antron, Iohannes Worthy, Nicholaus Coheu, Ricardus Kent, Willelmus Tydy, Iohannes Lacch, Iohannes Hamelyn, Iohannes Tolke, Iohannes Rysedon, Iohannes Dybbe, Thomas Frenssh, Iohannes Pumbele, Iohannes Knappe, Stephanus Byclond.

Who come and on their oath confirm the customs, etc.

And present to the offices as follows:

Wardens of the church of the Blessed Mary: Egidius Gelys and Thomas Tassell.

Wardens of St. Leonard and of the Holy Cross: Henricus Attwill and Thomas Frenssh.

Wardens of the bridge: Galfridus Martyn and Iohannes Cohewe.

Wardens of the chapel of St. Peter: Stephanus Bykelond and Petrus Savery.

Wardens of the chapel of the Blessed Mary Magdalene: Willelmus Fursdon and Iohannes Noseworthy.

Wardens of the swine without the east gate: Gilbertus Munk and Nicholaus Galyan.

Wardens of the swine within the gates: Iohannes Edward and Iohannes Somer.

Wardens of the swine without the west gate: Iohannes Knyzth and Iohannes Blake.

Wardens of the swine (an error of the scribe for "ships," see p. 400): Henricus Antron and Iohannes Hamelyn.

Wardens of the fisheries: Iohannes Hokemore and Rogerus Symon.

Wardens of the spring called Lechewill: Iohannes Burhed and Iohannes Worthy.

Wardens of the spring called Serygyswill: Iohannes Petard and Iohannes Pumbele.

Wardens of the spring called Seint Colasyswill: Iohannes Smyth and Ricardus Parfot.

Wardens of the bounds and land of the Community where bounds are placed: Galfridus Veale and Rogerus Symon.

They order that the stewards of the work of the new belfry and the overseers of the same work shall keep their positions just as they are elected.

That Ricardus Uphome free citizen of the aforesaid Gild receives in his service (*sub se*) Iohannes Colwill de Ayshpryngton for brewing beer and occupying the liberty of the Gild to the prejudice of the freedom and therefore he is expelled from his liberty until he has excused himself on account of the above.

They order that if anyone shall have occupied the liberty of the aforesaid Gild in baking, brewing and keeping open shop without the liberty of the aforesaid has forfeited 40*s*. to the use of the Mayor and Community.

They present that Philippus Whiler occupies the Gild aforesaid by baking waste (*wast'*) and therefore he forfets 40*s*. which the bailiff is ordered to levy or to be summoned before the Mayor.

They order that the wardens of the bridge shall repair "le velebrigge" with "plankys" before the festival of All Saints next (probably means the town bridge from "ville," and not, as suggested by Mr. Riley, "a jetty for landing calves").

They present to the Mayoral office for the coming year, Iohannes Burhed and the same is sworn.

They present to the office of Receiver for the coming year, Galfridus Veale and the same is sworn.

They present to the office of Mayor's bailiff, Ricardus Harry.

At this Court Walterus Ewan is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s*. 4*d*. Sureties, Ricardus Kent and Iohannes Dybbe.

At this Court Iohannes Willeam is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s*. 4*d*. Sureties, Iohannes Worthy and Galfridus Veale.

At this Court Iohannes Toker is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s*. 4*d*. Sureties, Iohannes Colyngton and Robertus Willeam (the phrase in this and in the succeeding case reads "and is admitted a citizen (*burgens*) to

the Gild" as if a member of the Community was not considered a burgher unless he belonged to the Gild).

At this Court Thomas Canon is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Galfridus Veale and Iohannes Colyngton.

Total of the Court, 53*s.* 4*d.*

(Reverse of membrane).

Tot. Court Roll, M42, contd. 21st December, 1450.

Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on Monday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 29th Henry VI.

To this Court came Ricardus Parfote, 4*d.*; Iohannes Peynt, 4*d.*; Amisia Denys, 2*d.*; Iohannes Locke, 4*d.*; Willelmus Knyth, 2*d.*; Iohannes Whiler (entered the Gild); Iohannes Gome, 2*d.*; Petrus Durant, 2*d.* (crossed out); Walterus Fays, 2*d.*; Walterus Weston, 2*d.*; Iohannes Beaupe, 2*d.*; Radulfus Wody, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Galyan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Nycol, 2*d.*; Willelmus Peret, 2*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 2*d.*; Ricardus Mowlyssh, 2*d.*; Regulus Gerard, 2*d.* (crossed out); Iohannes Salmon, 2*d.*; Willelmus Tolke junior, 4*d.*; Iohannes de Vale, 4*d.*; Robertus Kyrkeham (crossed out); Iohannes Careu, 2*d.*; Willelmus Webber 2*d.*; Iohannes Roper, 4*d.*; Ricardus le Tuk, 2*d.*; Thomas Hoper, 2*d.*; Iohannes Whilcomb, 2*d.*; Iohannes Adam, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ecur, 2*d.*; Willelmus Trevyk, 2*d.*; Iohannes White, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pekyt, 4*d.*; Simon Gildon, 3*d.* (crossed out); Iohannes Goneton, 2*d.*; Iohannes Pytard, 8*d.*; Margeria Gille, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Botelond, 2*d.*; Iohannes Edward, 1*d.*; Ricardus Foster, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 2*d.*; Michel Merssh, 2*d.*; Willelmus Symon, 4*d.*; Willelmus Lamburne, 6*d.*; Iohannes Lamburne, 4*d.*; Iohannes Laverance, 6*d.*; Walterus Durant (crossed out); Thomas Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 3*d.*; Simon Burton, 2*d.*; Petrus Taylor, 8*d.*; Iohannes Iagow, 2*d.*

The above give the Mayor as fines for licence to hold, sell and buy small merchandise. Total, 10*s.* 10*d.*

At this Court Iohannes Whiler is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Willelmus Tydy and Rogerus Symon.

Total of the Court, 24*s.* 2*d.*

Tot. Court Roll, M42, contd. Tuesday after 6th January, 1451.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 29th Henry VI.

Twelve in the presence of the Mayor for the King and Community: Iohannes Worthy, Henricus Antron, Willelmus Tydy, Robertus Kent, Iohannes Lacch, Ricardus Kent, Bartholomeus Fays, Iacobus Lucas, Willelmus Boys, Iohannes Hamelyn, Walterus Antron, Willelmus Bythewater.

Who come and confirm all customs, etc.

They order that the work of the quarrying should commence on the morrow of the Conversion of St. Paul next, etc., by digging (*fodendo*) stones for the belfry.

They order that Ricardus Kent and Henricus Norys shall be the supervisers of the work of rebuilding the belfry together with Willelmus Row, Iohannes Hokemore, Rogerus Symon and Nicholaus Cohewe above chosen to superintend the aforesaid work of the belfry and the parishioners are to be summoned by turn (*causa*, or, by process) to dig stones from the quarry for the aforesaid work.

That Iohannes Hokemore shall be the receiver of the Sunday *denarii* as he was formerly. And that all officials shall be in their positions as they were formerly.

That the wardens of the church make two entrances in the chancel namely one on the south side and the other on the north side by which two entrances the populace can enter or leave the chancel on days of offering, etc.

That the wardens of the church shall repair the roof of the church near the belfry within a short time, etc.

That the wardens of the bridge place gravel (*gravyll*) upon "les plankys" placed on the bridge.

Tot. Court Roll, M42, contd. Tuesday after 6th May, 1451.

Tottoneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of St. John before the Latin Gate in the 29th Henry VI.

Twelve sworn before the Mayor for the King:

Iohannes Worthy, Henricus Antron, Henricus Merssh, Henricus Norys, Iohannes Hamelyn, Ricardus Kent, Willelmus Tydy, Bartholomeus Fays, Ricardus Leveton, Iohannes Colyngton, Walterus Antron, Thomas Soper.

Who come and confirm all customs, etc.

They order that the Sunday *denarii* shall be paid as if it was being paid to the building of the belfry.

That the stewards (*procuratores*) of the work of the belfry shall order large stones to be dug at the quarries and from thence brought by barge as far as the bridge before the festival of Pentecost next (30th May). And that the stonelayers (*lathonii*) begin to work upon the body of the work (*circa facturam operis*) of the belfry on the morrow of the festival of the Holy Trinity following (*i.e.* a week later).

That the stewards of the belfry do not allow large stones to lie in the

water near the bridge longer than a week that they will take such stones to the cemetery on account of the perishing of the stones.

That anyone of the ville having a horse shall obtain small stones with his horse voluntarily and without persuasion and large stones with ? for the widening of the way near the bridge commencing on the morrow of (this) Law Court. And that anyone not possessing a horse shall work with the horses of others at their own expense.

That the wardens of the bridge shall repair the defects of the bridge before the festival of St. Michael.

That all wardens of the ville distrain payments which are in arrear if they are legally able to do so.

That no one ought to place "Fursreke" (a furze-rick) near the house of anyone about the ville under penalty of 100*s*. to be levied for the work of the belfry by the stewards of the said work. And everyone shall remove such a "Fursreke" before the festival of St. Michael under the aforesaid penalty. And this order shall be proclaimed (by the crier).

1451. 19th October. The Abbat of Tavystock is authorised to collect the first half of a tithe in the county of Devon, the Prior of St. German in Cornwall (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Single membrane, twenty-eight inches by nine and a half inches.

Tot. Court Roll, M43. 19th October, 1451. Totteneys. Law Court of Iohannes Burhed Mayor held there on Tuesday on the morrow of the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 30th Henry VI.

Eighteen sworn before the Mayor:

Henricus Antron, Iohannes Hokemore, Rogerus Symon, Iohannes Petard, Willelmus Boys, Henricus Norys, Ricardus Geffray, Iohannes Lacch, Iacobus Lucas, Ricardus Kent, Willelmus Tydy, Nicholaus Cohewe, Thomas Tassell, Egidius Gelys, Iohannes Hamelyn, Walterus Antron, Willelmus Soper, Ricardus Leveton.

Who come and confirm on oath all customs, etc., and present:

Wardens of the church of St. Mary: Egidius Gelys and Thoma Tassell.

Wardens of St. Leonard and the Holy Cross: Henricus Attwill and Iohannes Ward.

Wardens of the bridge: Galfridus Martyn and Petrus Swete.

Wardens of the chapel of St. Peter: Stephanus Byclond and Iohannes Pumbele.

Wardens of the chapel of St. Mary Magdalene: Iohannes Noseworthy and Henricus Holewill.

Wardens of the swine without the east gate: Gilbertus Munke and Nicholaus Galyan.

Wardens of the swine within the gates: Iohannes Prygge and Iohannes Somer.

Wardens of the swine without the west gate: Iohannes Knyzth and Iohannes Blake.

Wardens of the ships in trade (*carinum in mercato*; this is the first time the qualifying words are used, and suggests whether the substantive, *caro, nis* is not intended and the reading of this and the following appointment be "of meats (of fish) offered for sale" or "in the market," see pages 400 and 418): Henricus Antron and Iohannes Hamelyn.

Wardens of the fisheries in trade: Iohannes Hokemore and Rogerus Symon.

Wardens of the spring called Lechewill: Iohannes Burhed and Iohannes Worthy.

Wardens of the spring called Sergyswill: Iohannes Petard and Iohannes Pumbele.

Wardens of the spring called Seint Colasyswill: Iohannes Smyzth and Ricardus Parfot.

Wardens of the bounds and the land of the Community where bounds are placed: Rogerus Symon and Galfridus Veale.

Collectors of the Sunday offerings (*denarii*) without the east gate: Galfridus Vele and Willelmus Tolke.

Collectors of the Sunday offerings within the gates: Iohannes Worthy and Walterus Antron and without the west gates Iohannes Hamelyn and Thoma Byrdwode.

That the Sunday *denarius* [*sic*] shall be paid by whoever wishes on the Sunday in advance.

That no one may receive from the aforesaid six collectors Sunday offerings other than the receiver of the *denarii*.

That the Mayor of the ville causes to be forfeited one pipe of wine from the goods of Iohannes Gayler which Petrus Swete one of the citizens of the market sells in his tavern against the custom of the Gild of Merchants.

That Petrus Swete be expelled from the Gild of Merchants for that he received him under his roof (*sub se*) Iohannes Gayler to sell a pipe of wine against the custom of the Gild of Merchants unless he acknowledge himself in fault.

They say that Ambrosius Franke unjustly and against the custom of the Gild occupies the freedom in baking and brewing without licence. Therefore he is to be summoned by the bailiffs of the ville to enter the Gild or otherwise pay the Mayor and Community an annual fine of 40*s.* as much as for baking as for brewing.

They order that the receiver of the Sunday offering pays all *denarii* to Iohannes Hakewill owing for Roklegh.

That the same receiver pays to Iohannes Hokemore 10*s.* which the same Iohannes paid to a certain hireling for his horse on returning it.

That the same receiver pays to Ricardus Tucker 45*s.* 8*d.* owed to him for white stone paid for.

They order that Robertus Willeam shall remove a hedge raised by him by the way to the mill of the Lord (of the Manor) near the bridge to be cleared away from the same road before the festival of the Nativity of the Lord under penalty of a fine.

They order Willelmus Rowe, Iohannes Hokemore, Rogerus Symon, Henricus Norys, Nicholaus Coheu and Ricardus Kent to act as stewards of the work of the belfry newly being built, during the coming year.

They order Iohannes Hokemore to be receiver of Sunday offerings.

They order that all wardens of the ville distrain for all payments being in arrear in their positions in that place where by law it ought to be levied.

They order that the wardens of the church levy distraint for 4*d.* rent which is in arrear for 5 years and which the heirs of Thomas Bellegh should pay.

They order the wardens of the church shall have double festival and at the death of old citizens and of their wives place *navem argent' cum curribul.*

They order that the charter of Iohannes Burhed and of Agneta his wlfe and the charter of Iohannes Symon and Alicia his wife shall be sealed.

The whole Community of the aforesaid ville elect and present to the Mayoral office, for the present and in the ensuing year, Willelmus Rowe and he is sworn.

They elect to the office of receiver of the ville, Willelmus Boys.

They elect to the office of bailiff of the ville, Ricardus Harry.

Tot. Court Roll, M43, contd. 21st December, 1451.

Totteneys. Law Court of Willelmus Rowe Mayor held on Tuesday in the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 30th year of Henry VI.

To this Court come Thomas Leche, 2*d.*; Iohannes de Vale, 6*d.*; Alanus Thomas, 4*d.*; Iohannes Tuk. 6*d*,; Iohannes Gome, 3*d.*; Iohannes Pe?t, 4*d.*; Ricardus le Tuk, 4*d.*; Ricardus Lesewill, 4*d.*; Ricardus Moulyssh, 2*d.*; Iohannes Obeare, 2*d.*; Iohannes Peynter, 4*d.*; Petrus Pole, 4*d.*; Walterus

Fays, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Galyan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Dewpe, 2*d.*; Walterus Weston, 2*d.*; Gilbertus Munke, 4*d.*; Iohannes Careu, 2*d.*; Iohannes Adam, 2*d.*; Iohannes Wilcomb, 2*d.*; Thomas Hoper, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ecure, "*recessit*" (crossed out); Willelmus Trenyk, 2*d.*; Iohannes White, 2*d.*; Iohannes Goneton, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hulet, 2*d.*; Ricardus Foster, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, 4*d.*; Petrus Worthy, 8*d.*; Willelmus Barbur, 2*d.*; Willelmus Symon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Lok junior, 4*d.*; Iohannes Lamburne, 4*d.*; Willelmus Lamburne, 6*d.*; Michel Merssh, 3*d.*; Iohannes Lode, 3*d.*; Simon Burton, 2*d.*; Iohannes Thomas, 4*d.*; Iohannes Laverance, 4*d.*; Iohannes Merssh, 8*d.*; Ricardus Welyngton, 2*d.*; Ricardus Bolter, 2*d.*; Willelmus Row, 2*d.* (crossed out); Cristina Roper, 2*d.*; Andreas Wody, 8*d.*; Iohannes Gelys, 2*d.*; Margeria Gille, 2*d.*; Nicholaus Botelond, 2*d.*; Iohannes Holman, 40*s.*; Iohannes Edeward, 2*d.*; Thomas Hamelyn, 2*d.*; Iohannes Edmunde, 40*s.*; give the Mayor fine for licence to hold and sell small merchandise, etc. Total, 4*l.* 13*s.* 1*d.*

At this Court Ambrosius Frank is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Robertus Kent and Ricardus Kent.

At this Court Ricardus Parfote is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Galfridus Veale and Stephanus Bykelond.

At this Court Willelmus Tolke junior is admitted to the Gild and gives 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Robertus Willeam and Iohannes Willeam.

Total of Court, 6*l.* 13*s.* 1*d.*

(Reverse of membrane).

Tot. Court Roll, M43, contd. Tuesday after 6th January, 1452.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 30th Henry VI.

Twelve sworn for the King:

Iohannes Hokemore, Rogerus Symon, Henricus Antron, Iohannes Hakewill, Henricus Norys, Nicholaus Cohewe, Ricardus Kent, Iohannes Hamelyn, Iacobus Lucas, Bartholomeus Fays, Walterus Antron, Robertus Willeam.

Who come and confirm all customs, etc.

They order that the Mayor of the town and the Vicar of the church with the stewards shall go round the ville to examine the parishioners how much each voluntarily wishes to give towards the work of the new belfry on Sundays up to the next Law Court to be held after Easter.

That the Mayor of the ville and the stewards of the work of the new belfry are permitted to cause to be levied on any Sunday *denarii* throughout the parish for the said work up to the aforesaid Law Court.

They order that Ricardus Tucker shall hold one key of the common chest.

That the wardens of the keys of the common chest will not be relieved from the wardenship of the aforesaid keys unless by the verdict of the 12.

That the stewards of the church shall provide workmen to quarry large stone towards the next week after the festival of the Purification.

That the parishioners shall work at the quarry in the usual manner and that they shall be excused from quarrying on the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul next.

That the stewards shall provide all necessaries for the work of the aforesaid belfry for the stone layers before Lent next.

They order that Rogerus Symon and Iohannes Hakewill shall be relieved of the office of provost as elected by the Community if they wish to give to the work of the new belfry 4 *libri* sterling.

That whoever having building timber (*meremium*) lying near the bridge shall remove that timber before the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary under penalty of the loss of the same timber to the use of the church.

That the wardens of the church shall repair defects of the church before Easter.

That the wardens of the bridge shall repair defects of the bridge before Easter.

That the Mayor shall cause to be proclaimed throughout the ville that no one may receive wandering mendicants from a neighbouring ville within his house for more than a day and a night under penalty of imprisonment (*prisonamenti*) both the receiver as well as the mendicant.

Tot. Court Roll, M43, contd. 24th February, 1452.

Totteneys. Law Court of the Mayor held there on Tuesday in the festival of St. Matthias in the 30th Henry VI.

Iohannes Worthy, Iohannes Hokemore, Rogerus Symon, Galfridus Veale, Henricus Norys, Iohannes Hakewill, Ricardus Kent, Walterus Antron, Iohannes Hamelyn, Robertus William, Iacobus Lucas and Willelmus Tydy.

Who come and confirm all customs, etc.

That the receiver of the ville shall repair the spring near the pillory and shall enclose the same spring with a wall, and he shall place there a "crobbe" with a roof over the said spring (possibly a "crobbe" may have been a pole balanced on a fulcrum with weight one end and a plunge rod fitted with a bucket on the other end: a ready device for obtaining water from a shallow well).

That Iohannes Edmunde and Iohannes Holman brew beer occupying the freedom without the licence of the Mayor and against the liberty of the Gild. Therefore they may be warned that they must enter into the aforesaid liberty under penalty of 40*s.* paid to the Mayor and Community.

That the stone layers make "lez Nowellys" of quarried stone *decetero.*

They order that the names of those who have not paid the Sunday offerings shall be placed in the list of summons and that they should appear for enquiry at a Court of Christianity.

That the Sunday offering flows in reluctantly just as it is wont to flow.

That no one may place timber in the way near the bridge neither in the water there under penalty of forfeiting the same to sell for the collector of the Sunday offering and the receiver of the belfry work and this within eight days after being warned to remove.

That Iohannes Merssh occupies the freedom without licence and without making any agreement with the Mayor. Therefore he may be warned to make agreement (*facere finum*).

That the Mayor and collectors shall go round the ville to enquire how much anyone of the parishioners wishes to give gratuitously on any Sunday up to the next Law Court towards the work of the church.

That the wardens of the bridge shall repair the defects of the bridge before the festival of St. Michael next.

1451. 31st October. On the death of Frater John Brentyngham Prior of Tywardreithe, Frater Walter Barnecote, one of the monks, was instituted at Clyst by Bishop Lacy. Patron, King Henry VI (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 364).

Penitentaries appointed:

12th February, 1452. In the Deanery of Totton': *religiosum virum priorem Totton'*, Lord Iohannes Vicar of Brent, Lord Willelmus Howsyng Vicar of Totton, Lord Willelmus Rector of Stokeflemying and Magister Iohannes Gele perpetual Vicar of Hurberton.

5th February, 1453. In the Deanery of Totton': the Prior of Totton', the Vicar of Brent, Lord Willelmus Howsyng Vicar of Totton, Magister Iohannes Gele Vicar of Hurberton and the Rector of Stokeflemyng.

4th February, 1454. In the Deanery of Totton': the Prior of Totton', the Rector of Stokeflemyng and the Lord Vicars perpetual of Totton, Brent and Hurberton, not mentioned by name (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

1452. 26th November. Indulgence of forty days granted by Bishop Lacy to all assisting in the construction, repair and maintenance of the bridge called Teyngbrigge in the parish of Teyngras (*ibidem*).

4th February, 1453. Convocation of clergy:
Magister Iohannes Cobethorn Dean of Exeter.
Magister Iohannes Burneby Archdeacon of Totton.
Frater Iohannes Lacy Abbat of Torre.
Frater Ricardus Prior of Totton'.
Eight abbats and eight priors.

1453. 18th February. Mandate to sequestrate the rents and tithes of the parish church of Rattre, on the death of the Vicar, addressed by Bishop Lacy to the Archdeacon of Totton' and Iohannes Gybbes Esquire, Henricus Luscombe, Iohannes Luscomb and Iohannes Hollewyll (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

Tot. Mun. Deed N (1). Easter, 1453. Final agreement made in the Court of Lord Willelmus la Zouch Lord of Totteneys on Monday in the fifteen days of Easter in the 31st year of King Henry VI before Willelmus Rowe then Mayor of the burg of Totton', Thomas Calwodlegh then seneschal of the Court, Galfridus Veale, sub-seneschal of the said Court, Iohannes Burhed, Henricus Antron, Walterus Antron, Rogerus Simon, receiver then of the aforementioned Mayor, Willelmus Boys, Iohannes Koop sergeant, Iohannes Gybbe then provost of the said burg and other faithful subjects of the King present. Between Iohannes Hakewell plaintiff and Willelmus Waryn and Cecil' his wife defendants concerning a tenement with adjacent garden in Great Totteneys within the gates there and situated between the house of the said Iohannes Hakewill on the east side and the house of Iohannes Comb on the west side and the King's way on the south side and the said garden lies on the south side of the castle moat between the land of the aforementioned Iohannes Comb on the east and west sides. Plea of covenant was summoned between them in the same Court. Namely that the aforesaid Willelmus Waryn and Cecil' his wife recognise the aforesaid tenement and garden to be the right of the same Iohannes Hakewell his heirs and assigns holding by service due to the capital lords of that fee. And that the same Iohannes Hakewell hold the same by the gift and feofment of the aforesaid Willelmus Waryn and Cecil' his wife. And the said Willelmus and Cecil' quit claim to Iohannes Hakewell, etc. For this agreement, etc., Iohannes Hakewell grants to the defendants the tenement and garden for the term of their lives to hold of him at the annual rent of one *denarium*. And Iohannes Hakewell gives the lord eight *denarii* for enrolling the said agreement. In witness of which the seal of the Commonalty of Totton is appended.

Large red seal, two and a quarter inches diameter, appended—a three-towered gate-house with keys.

1453. 4th June. On the resignation of Master John Burnebery, Master Thomas Mannynge Bachelor of Decrees and chaplain was collated to the Archdeaconry of Totnes. Mandate is issued by Bishop Edmund Lacy, at Chudleigh, to the Dean, etc., for his induction and installation (*Reg. Bp. Lacy*, fo. 378).

25th August. Commission to the Abbat of Dukyswyll to collect the first half of the first tithe in Devon.

Among the names of benefices valued and not accustomed to pay the Royal tithe, the annual value of which is below 12 marcs occur:

In the Deanery of Totton: the vicarages of Totton, Tounstall, Brenta, Bukfestra, Dene, Rattre and Hurberton (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

14th October. Sequestration is ordered by Bishop Lacy of the goods of Lord Iohannes Harry Vicar of Stoke St. Gabriel, recently deceased.

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 17. 6th January, 1454.

Be it known that we Ricardus Stoke Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of Tottonia, etc., have granted to Iohannes Hokemore and Margeria his wife a house of ours with a parcel of land within the site of our Priory of Totton between the tenement of Iohannes Mey and Iohanna his wife on the south side and the garden of Hugo Courtenay knight on the west side and the land of our Priory on the north and east sides which same land Iohannes Chupton acquired. To have and to hold, etc., for their lives and afterwards to their executors and assigns for the total term of eighty years. Paying yearly therefor two *denarios* at the festival of St. Michael. Clause of repair. Clause of distraint. Clause of warranty. We have appended our conventual seal as well as the seals of the afofesaid Iohannes and Margeria alternately.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Boys Mayor of Totton; 2 Willelmus Rowe; 3 Iohannes Burhed, and others.

Dated at Totton in our Chapter-house on the festival of the Epiphany in the 32nd year of King Henry VI.

Appended two red wax seals with the impression of the same signet showing within an oblong octagon a merchant's mark; a circle with crosses above and below, the lower cross standing within the three lowest sides of a pentagon."

On reverse: "Garston a lease." "Charter of Iohannes Hokemore rendering 2*d.* per annum for a stall within the curtilage of the Priory."

"*functus terminus anno Domini* 1531." "*modo lewke benet.*" "This tenement is the kitchin and living howse which William Buggans hath now in lease 1608 in Totton."

1454. 30th April. Licence to Lord Walterus Barnecote Prior of the Priory of St. Andree de Tywardrethe of the order of St. Benedict to absent himself for one year to study in any university in the kingdom (*Com. Reg. Bp. Lacy*).

1454. 24th May. Commission to the Abbat of Ford to collect the second half of the Royal tithe in Devon and to the Abbat of Hertlond for Cornwall.

26th February, 1455. Penitentiaries appointed:

In the Deanery of Totton': the Prior of Totton', the Rector of Stokeflemyng and the perpetual Vicars of Totton' and Hurberton, not mentioned by name.

1455. 1st April. Robertus Wenyngton and Robertus Gambon are appointed receivers of dues in the ports of Exeter and Dertmouth.

3rd April. The Prior of Frythelestok is authorised to collect the first half of the second Royal tithe in Devon and the Prior of Bodmin in Cornwall.

24th June. Indulgence of forty days is granted to all those visiting the chapel of St. Gabriel in the cemetery of the parish church of Stoke Gabriel or who also give towards the making of lights, ornaments or other necessaries for the said chapel (*ibidem*).

1455. 18th September (10th September according to William of Worcester). Bishop Edmund Lacy died at his manor-house, Chudleigh. On his death Pope Calixtus III nominated George Nevyll who was only 24 years of age, but although the temporalities were legally transferred to him on 21st March, 1456, and power of jurisdiction had been granted to him by the Pope, his consecration was deferred, and only took place on the 25th November, 1458, but early in December, 1459, he quitted his diocese for ever. In 1465 King Edward IV translated Bishop George Nevyll to the Archbishopric of York. On the 8th June, 1476, aged 44 years, after suffering indignities brought upon himself by his worldly ambition, he died, it is said, of a broken heart.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 942 1455. Tuesday before 21st December. I Iohannes Mederose son and heir of Willelmus Mederose have quit claimed to Iohannes Warde and Margeria his wife my right in a tenement in Great Totteneys within the gates situated between the tenement of Iohannes Burhed on the east and north

side and the tenement of Willelmus Cosyn on the west side and the High Street on the south side. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering service due, etc. Clause of warranty follows. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohanne Bristowe; 2 Rogero Hokemore; 3 Iohanne Burhed; 4 Willelmo Salle; 5 Iohanne Bristowe junior, and others. Dated at Bokelond on Tuesday before the festival of St. Thomas the Martyr in the 34th year of the reign of King Henry VI.

Appended small round seal about three-eighths of an inch diameter, enclosing figure of lion rampant.

1456. 26th April. The Prior of Tywardreith is commissioned by Bishop George Nevyll to collect the last and second half of the said second of the whole tithe in Cornwall, in the same manner as the Prior of Launceston collected the first half as appears in the Common Register of Bishop Edmund Lacy.

15th November. The Prior of Tywardreth is licensed by Bishop George Nevyll to absent himself from his Priory until Easter next, provided he leaves a procurator to act for him in the said Priory.

16th January, 1457. Penitentiaries appointed:

In the Deanery of Totton': the Prior of Totton, the Rector of Stoke Flemyng and the Vicars of Totton aud Hurberton, not mentioned by name.

Dart. Mun. Deed, No. 943. 1457. 8th April. I Iohannes Burhed of Totteneys have transferred to Iohannes Warde and Margeria his wife all my right in a tenement in Great Totteneys situated between my mesuage and garden on the east and north sides and the land of Willelmus Cosyn on the west and the High Street on the south side which tenement I formerly received from Iohannes Mederose son and heir of Willelmus Mederose and Agneta his wife. To have and to hold, etc. By rent and service due, etc. Excepting always to me and my heirs a water-way throughout the length of my mesuage on the west side of the same. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmo Rowe; 2 Iohanne Worthy; 3 Iohanne Cowyk provost, and others. Dated at Totteneys on the 8th April in the 35th year of King Henry VI.

Appended small seal with very clear impression, about three-eighths of an inch diameter: a boar's head facing sinister.

1457. 3rd August. On the death of Lord Iohannes Polpoke, Willelmus Boncherch chaplain was presented as Rector of Little Hempston by the Abbess and Convent of Canonleigh.

31st August. Commission appointed to dedicate the chapel of Shyrford near Stokynham.

1458. 13th May. On the death of Master Rogerus Toker, John Cleve chaplain was presented as Vicar of Broadclyst by the Prior and Convent of Totton'.

PRIOR WILLIAM HARRY.

1459. 5th February. On the death of Frater Ricardus Stoke, Frater Willelmus Harry, monk of the Priory of Totton, was presented as Prior by Willelmus le Zouche de Haryngworthy, knight.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxiv. The following deed is tied to two others, clvi and clxx.

1459. Totteneys. At the Law Court held there on Monday in Easter in the xxxvii year of the reign of King Henry the sixth it is recorded by xii jurymen for the King namely:

1 Iohannes Worthy; 2 Thoma Soper; 3 Iohannes Colyngton; 4 Henricus Norys; 5 Rogerus Cole; 6 Walterus Antron; 7 Henricus Waters; 8 Iohannes Ward; 9 Iohannes Hamelyn; 10 Bartholomeus Foys; 11 Iohannes Lok; and 12 Willelmus Cole:—
that the water descending from Harpereswell in time of war and necessity runs into the moat of the castle by the aqueduct of the tenement of Iohannes Hakewille within the western gate and at other times runs in its old course and finally the aforesaid jury represent that the water descending from Harpereswell formerly was diverted from its true course by Iohannes Kyng, etc. And that Ricardus Hoigge hitherto obstructs the true course of the same water near the Brodestone into the aforesaid borough-town (*burgens-ville*), etc. Therefore the provost is requested to distrain Ricardus Hoigge to the Lord (of the manor) for diverting and obstructing the aforesaid water. (Easter Monday, 1459).

On reverse in Latin: "Concerning the water-course of Harpereswyll."

In the second part of one of the Minute Books of the Corporation of Totnes numbered AA, and produced as evidence in a case tried in 1706, was the following clause:

1459-60. "38 Henry VI. This year was an order made that the Chancell shall be divided from the Church with ffreestone as the Cathedral Church of Exon was" (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol xix, fo. 541).

1460. 23rd July. At an inquisition held at the Church of Lustleigh Archdeacon Ion of Totton is mentioned (Ricardus John, official, see p. 438).

Tot. Mun. Deed, Copy of No. 567, Horsfield Collectanea, Monday before 18th March, 1461.

May the present and future know that I Ricardus Tucker of Totteneys have given to Iohannes Hakewyll, Rogerus Symon and Rogerus Cole the half of that tenement in Great Totteneys with stalls, tetherings, etc.; which tenement is situated within the gates of the aforesaid ville on the south side of the King's way between the tenement of the heirs of Henricus Antron and Iohanna his wife, Ricardus Leveton and Mabilla his wife on the east side and the tenement of Thomas Mayn in part and of the heirs of Iohannes Forde in part on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., by rent and service due to the capital lord of that fee. Clause of warranty. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Prall then Mayor of the aforesaid ville; 2 Willelmus Rowe; 3 Willelmus Boys; 4 Iohannes Hokemore; 5 Walterus Antron, representative of Sir Hugo Courtenay, then provost of the burg of the aforesaid ville, and many others. Dated at Totteneys on Monday before the festival of St. Edward the King in the first year of King Edward the fourth.

Appended seal with impression of bird (probably an eagle) within a circle.

1461. 28th May. On the free resignation of Margareta Wortheham, Honora Vyvyan, Sub-prioress of Cornworthy Priory, was elected Prioress by her sister nuns, Margareta Wortheham, Sibilla Germyn, Cristina Awde and Thomasia Dynham in solemn conclave held "as has of old been the custom" in the Chapter-house of the Priory and in the presence of the notary Andreas Chalvedon.

28th July. The election of the Prioress Honora Vyvyan was duly confirmed by Dean Henricus Webber acting in the absence of the Bishop (*Reg. Bp. George Nevyll*).

1461. 22nd June. At London. On the free resignation of Magister Robertus Gody, Magister Iohannes B(?)urgher chaplain, Professor of Theology, was presented as Rector of Ashprington by Ricardus Langport clerk, Willelmus Elyot clerk and Iohannes Troloff, men of the said church in place of the patrons, by reason of the gift and concession of the advowson of the next vacation of the said church of Ayshpryngton by the Prior

and Convent of Tottonia under the common seal of the Priory and was inducted by the Archdeacon of Totton' (*Reg. Bp. George Nevyll*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 3rd August, 1461.

This indenture tripartite made the third day of August in the first year of King Edward the fourth between Henricus Leveton Iohanna and Agneta his sisters the heirs of Mabilla widow of Ricardus Leveton witnesses that thus it is agreed between them that Henricus according to the custom of the aforesaid burg shall have for his share 5*s.* rent issuing from two shares of the tenement of the heirs of Iohannes Ford in Totteneys which is between the tenement of Willelmus Boys on the south side and the tenement of Walterus Mayn on the north side and likewise the same Henricus shall have 2*s.* 8*d.* rent issuing from one warehouse (*orreo*) by a certain deed granted to Thoma Tassell and Iohanna his wife. And further the said Henricus shall have a parcel of land which lies interlined with (*interlinealiter*) a piece of land called Scoteslond near Harpereswill. To have and to hold, etc. In default of issue to the said Henricus the property to revert to Iohanna and Agneta. And in default of issue to Iohanna and Agneta to revert to the lawful heirs of Petrus Bastard. And the aforementioned Iohanna shall have for her share a tenement in Harpereswillstrete situated on the south side of the tenement in which Willelmus Nenys lives at present and she shall also have a close of land lying on the north side of the pathway (*venella*) leading towards Bronneburgh between the close of Rogerus Symon on the east side and the land of Henricus Norys on the west side. And likewise the aforementioned Iohanna shall have a quarter share of the tenement and stall in "le Bocherewe" of Totton' in which Ricardus Foster at present lives together with the rent and issues of the same. To have and to hold, etc. And in default of issue of the said Iohanna to revert to Henricus Leveton and his sister Agneta and in default of their issue to the lawful heirs of Petrus Bastard. And the aforementioned Agneta shall have for her share the quarter share of the tenement and stall in "le Bocherewe" in which Ricardus Foster at present lives together with the rent and issues of the same quarter share. And likewise Agneta shall have a close of land near Harpereswill lying on the south side of the close of Henricus Mey. And also Agneta shall have a close of land called Okehay lying on the west side of Holland. To have and to hold, etc. With reversion as before. The parties have appended their seals.

Three cuts are made in the parchment but no tags or seals are appended.

On reverse in English: "Concernyng the Warehouse rent." In a later hand: "now Mr. Brufords. The Towne."

1461. 1st September. Mandate of King Edward IV to Bishop George Nevyll to collect the tithes granted in convocation from Tuesday, 6th May, 1460, to 15th July, 1461. Among others, Magister Thomas Mannyng Archdeacon of Totton' is mentioned. The Abbat of Torre is appointed collector for Devon (*Reg. Bp. George Nevyll*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxv. 1461. Be it known, etc., that I Ricardus Tucker of Totteneys have given, etc., to Rogerus Symon, Iohannes Hakewill and Rogerus Cole all my property of one tenement in Great Totteneys namely the half of the same tenement with stables, tethering rings (*hamis*), etc., which tenement is situated within the gates of the aforesaid town opposite the pillory there on the south side of the King's way between the tenement of the heirs of Henricus Antron and of Ricardus Leveton on the east side and the tenement of Thoma Mayne on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lord of that fief for rents and services due and customary. And I the aforesaid Ricardus undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to this my present charter.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Prall then Mayor of the town of Totteneys; 2 Willelmus Rowe; 3 Willelmus Boys; 4 Iohannes Hokemore; 5 Walterus Antron, deputy of Sir Hugo Courtenay, then provost of the burg of the aforesaid town, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Monday the vigil of St. Michael the Archangel in the first year of the reign of King Edward the fourth. (Monday, 28th September, 1461).

On reverse in Latin: "Richarde Tucker his grant to Simon Hakewill and Cole."

Appended parchment tag, to which is affixed well preserved piece of red wax with impression which is probably upside down. Enclosed in shield an elongated Y; over the junction a circle, crown or wreath; to dexter of stem two nails; to sinister a half circle and lower a step are attached to the stem.

1461. 22nd November. On the death of Lord Iohannes Iamys, Philippus Theylow [*sic*] was presented to the parish church of St. Fymbari de Fawy by the Prior and Convent of Tywardraith.

1464. 10th January. On the death of Lord Philippus Cheylow [*sic*], Lord Iohannes Willyam, chaplain, was presented to the parish church of St. Fymbury de Fawy by the Prior and Convent of Tywardereyth.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,255. 1462. 7th June. John Mede chaplain, James Lucas and Thomas atte Wylle grant to William Boys of Totteneys and Alice his wife a tenement in Great Totteneys within the gates there between the High Street of the town on the east and the moat of the castle on the west and the tenement of Thomas Guy and John Bylhole on the south and the tenement lately held by the heir of John Forke on the north which the said grantors lately had from the said William Boys as appears in his charter. To have and to hold, etc. Rendering to the lords of the fief rents and services due. Clause of warranty follows. The grantors have appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 William Herte then receiver of the town of Totteneys; 2 John Hokemore; 3 Roger Simon; 4 John Hakewyll; 5 Henry Brocke then provost of the burg of the said town, and others.

Dated at Totteneys the 7th June in Whitsun week in the 2nd year of the reign of King Edward IV.

12th July. In a mandate for convocation of the clergy issued by Bishop George Nevyll, the Archdeacon of Totnes is mentioned, but name omitted.

1463. 31st August. In a list of the clergy taxed, in the Deanery of Totton occur: Thoma Day, Iohannes Bourton, Iohannes Pyke, Robertus Burdon, Iohannes Stephyn, Iohannes Coke, Ricardus Coke, Iohannes Waryn, Willelmus Hyllyng, Petrus Savery and Iohannes Mede, each taxed 6*s.* 8*d.* (*Reg. Bp. George Nevyll*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 17th October, 1463. Be it known that I Petrus Bale of Great Tottonia "Boteman" undertake to pay Iohannes Cohne of Great Tottonia and Iohannes Lamborne ten *libri* sterling at the next festival of the Lord's Nativity. I have appended my seal. Dated the seventeenth day of October in the third year of King Edward the fourth.

Condition—Petrus Bale to allow without claim Iohanna relict of Walterus Weston to occupy that tenement with adjoining piece of land during her lifetime which the same Walterus and Iohanna formerly had by the grant of Willelmus Bourgchier and Thomasia his wife to the end

of either one of their lives which same tenement is situated in Great Totteneys near the salt sea (*i.e.* the tidal water).

Appended fragment of small seal with letter undecipherable because incomplete.

1463-64. Roll of the Court of Sir William la Zouche of the knights' fees of his castle of Totteneys, in the collection of His Grace the Duke of Somerset (*Hist. MSS. Commission*, 15th report, appendix, part vii, fo. 143). See Appendix.

Tot. Mun Deed, Tuesday before 12th March, 1464. This indenture made between the Mayor and Community of the ville of Tottonia on the one part and of Lord Petrus Savery warden of the chapel of St. Edmund King and Martyr on the bridge of the said ville on the other part witnesses that the aforesaid Mayor and Community have given to the aforesaid Lord Petrus the easement and licence to build a certain mesuage newly constructed in Great Totteneys within the gates on the south side of the King's way adjoining the tenement in which Henricus Holewill at present dwells in the same ville and that which formerly belonged to Iohannes Russell. And they also licence a chimney to be made in the west wall. And likewise that corbels and building timber (*meremium*) of the mesuage of the said Petrus may be placed at and on the said west wall that is to say from the High Street towards the south in length on condition that the windows in the aforementioned west wall of the said Mayor and Community shall not be obstructed by the building of the said Petrus nor their tenement in any way suffer by this concession. The said Petrus and his successors to pay annually 1*d.* on the festival of St. Michael. And the said Petrus shall place a guttur of good building timber (*meremo*) of oak with covering in lead and shall fix it between the said tenement of the Mayor and Community and his mesuage aforementioned to receive and ward off the rain water from both tenements, which he shall keep in repair. Clause of distraint. The parties have alternately appended their seals.

Witnessed by :

1 Henricus de la Pomeray; 2 Iohannes Gybbes; 3 Oto Gilberd, Esquires; 4 Henricus Brokke: 5 Iohannes Bastard, and many others. Dated at Totteneys between the four benches of the Gildhallia on Tuesday before the festival of St. Gregory the Martyr in the fourth year of the reign of King Edward the fourth and of the Lord, 1464.

Appended good impression of seal, about five-eighths of an inch diameter; centre, a bird, possibly intended for a peacock, with what looks

like a spear head poised over its back; the inscription round is of few letters but undecipherable.

Above the date 1610, in the same handwriting in which endorsements on other municipal deeds of Totnes are written, is the following:—Under the words "The Towne" and an initial, "A grannt made by the Maior and Comminaltie with the warden of the chapell of St. Edmund uppon the Bridge to fix and set the Tymber of the tenement wherein William Randell dwelleth uppon the wall of the house wherein Mr. Christofer Broking now dwelleth. Rent 1*d.* per annum to maynetayne a Gutter betweene the houses."

1464. 12th March. Inquiry as to the vicarage of Brixham. On behalf of Thoma Gille, senior, Iohannes Treloffi, Thoma Hille and Iohannes Sarger who wish to nominate Lord Willelmus Hille, chaplain, to the perpetual vicarage of Bryxham—Magister Henricus Webber, Dean of Exeter, the Bishop being away, is addressed by Ricardus John official of the Archdeacon of Totton. The enquiry was held by Lord Willelmus Mede Rector of Denebury and Lord Willelmus Bowchurch Rector of Hempston Parva; Iohannes Berde Vicar of Ipplepen, Iohannes Parker Vicar of Staverton, Iohannes Bile Vicar of Seyntmarychurch, Iohannes William Vicar of Beripomeray, Iohannes Magge Vicar of Carswill Abbat and Iohannes Morishede Vicar of Hempston Magna:—who say that the said vicarage is vacant by the death of Lord Iohannes Abell on the 5th March, 1464, and that the Prior and Convent of the Blessed Mary of Totton last presented to the same and they are the lawful patrons of the same. The right of presentation belongs "*ista vice*" to the said Thoma Gille senior, Iohannes Treloffi, Thoma Hille and Iohannes Sarger by reason of the grant of the advowson of the perpetual vicariate by Prior Ricardus Stoke, under the common seal of the priory. That the nominee is a priest and sixty-two years of age, was Rector of the parish church of Bratton and perpetual Vicar of Aysshberton and that no objection is raised, etc. Dated at Newton Abbatis, 16th March (*Reg. Bp. George Nevyll*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 1464. In the name of God. Amen. On the 10th day September A.D. mcccc sixty-four. I Willelmus Wyse, etc., bequeath to the Prior of Tottonia for ten obits 20*d.* I bequeath to the Vicar of the parish church of Tottonia to pray for my soul 12*d.* I bequeath to the store of the Blessed Mary of piety of Tottonia 6*d.* I bequeath to the store of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Tottonia 6*d.* To the poor of the house there 6*d.* To other dying poor in the ville of Tottonia 12*d.* To the store of the

bridge of Tottonia 4*d*. To each of my sons and to each of my daughters 1*d*. To my son Willelmus the third part of all my goods if he lives until he is married. If not that portion to my wife Alicia. To Claricia Wyse my mother all that my tenement with vacant space and garden adjoining it in Great Totteneys which is situated within the gates there on the south side of the King's way of the ville between the Gildhallia on the east side and the tenement of the heirs of Robertus Frenssh on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., for the term of her life and after her death it shall revert to Robertus Pytte, Willelmus Herte, Iohannes Holman, Ambrosius Franke, Iohannes Noseworthy, Willelmus Cosyn, Iohannes Toker, Willelmus Hokemore, Galfridus Hakewill and Benedictus Kent and their heirs. To hold from the capital lord of that fee to the honour of God and to the perpetual support of the parish church of the Blessed Mary of Totteneys. Paying yearly to the wardens and store of the new cross of Tottonia for the support of a chaplain to celebrate divine (service) for my soul, my parents, benefactors and the faithful dead before the said cross 6*s*. 8*d*. at the four principal terms. And likewise 8*s*. to hold an obit for the same souls on the eve of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The Vicar of the church shall have 6*d*. The warden of the chapel of St. Edmund on the bridge 4*d*. Three other priests between them 9*d*. The clerk of the church 2*d*. The wardens of the church between them 8*d*. The orator (town crier) of the ville 1*d*. The bell ringers (*pulsatores*) 4*d*. For oblations 2*d*. For wax candles (*cercis*) 4*d*. For bread and ale, 4*s*. 8*d*. I also bequeath to the aforesaid Claricia three other tenements with adjoining gardens, etc., which are situated in Great Totteneys without the east gate on the north side of the King's way between the tenement of Willelmus Hannok on the east side and the town wall and cemetery on the west side. To have and to hold, etc., during her life. And on her death they shall revert to my wife Alicia for her lifetime with remainder on her death to my son and heir Willelmus with remainder in default of issue to Ricardus Kent and Iohannes Warde for sale for a certain just sum according to the valuation of the Mayor and Commonalty the said sum to be devoted to the purchase of a good set of vestments for the parish church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia and other necessaries for the church. The residue of my goods to Alicia my wife who with the aforementioned Claricia and my son Willelmus I make my executors. I make Ricardus Kent and Iohannes Warde supervisors of this will and for their trouble bequeath to them 6*s*. 8*d*. I have appended my seal on the day and in the year abovementioned.

Appended two tags with seals. The first has good impression; half an inch diameter, enclosing M surmounted by a small cross, on the dexter side of which is another M, on the sinister, a crescent.

On reverse is written in English: "The Church."

1464. 31st October. On the death of Lord Iohannes Yongge, Lord Iohannes Gardener, chaplain, was presented as Vicar of St. Mary Totton' by the Prior and Convent of Totton' (*Reg. Bp. George Nevyll*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxvi. 1464. Be it known, etc., that we Iohannes Hakewyll and Rogerus Cole transfer, etc., to Agneta Tucker all that our property of one tenement in Great Totteneys namely the half of that tenement with stables, tethering rings, etc., which tenement is situated within the gates of the aforesaid town on the south side of the King's way there between the tenement of the heirs of Henricus Antron and Iohanna his wife of Ricardus Leveton and Mabilla his wife on the east side and the tenement of Thoma Mayn in part and of the heirs of Iohannes Forde in part on the west side. And which same half a certain Rogerus Symon now deceased and we the aforesaid Iohannes Hakewyll and Rogerus Cole have together hitherto possessed by gift and feoffment of Ricardus Tucker formerly husband of the aforesaid Agneta. We transfer also to the aforesaid Agneta all our share in one close in Great Totteneys namely that portion of meadow which lies outside the west gate of the aforesaid town between the land of the heirs of Petrus Peryt which Henricus Robyn now holds on the east side and the close of land of Henricus Norys on the west side and the wood of the heirs of Iohannes Bastard of Bronneburghe on the north side and the pathway (*venellam*) leading from Totteneys towards Bronneburgh on the south side and which portion of meadow we the aforesaid Iohannes Hakewyll and Rogerus Cole formerly possessed by gift and feoffment of the aforesaid Agneta in the sole and lawful possession of her widowhood. To have and to hold, etc., subject to the lord of that fief, etc. And after the death of the aforesaid Agneta we will that the aforesaid half of the tenement, etc., and also the aforesaid portion shall revert wholly to 1 Robertus Pytte; 2 Willelmus Herte; 3 Thoma Soper; 4 Ambrosius Franke; 5 Iohannes Holman; 6 Iohannes Noseworthy; 7 Willelmus Coleton; 8 Willelmas Whytehed; 9 Ricardus Warde; 10 Willelmus Hokemore; 11 Benedictus Kent; and 12 Willelmus Wyse their heirs and assigns. To hold subject to the lord of that fief for rents and services due and customary to the honour of God Almighty and for

the perpetual support of the parish church of the Blessed Mary of Totteneys. On condition that after the decease of the said Agneta one mass for the dead is to be celebrated on the first day preceding the festival of All Saints for the souls of Iohannes Tucker and of Iuliana his wife, of Willelmus Tolke and of Alicia his wife, of Ricardus Tucker and of Agneta his wife, of Willelmus Gore of Thomasia and Cecilia his wives, of all their parents and benefactors, and of all the faithful dead and shall dispose of eight *solidi* rents proceeding from the aforesaid portion of meadow annually as follows namely—

to the Vicar of the parish church aforesaid who for the time being may be six *denarii* annually.

to the warden of the chapel of Saint Edmund on the bridge of Tottonia four *denarii.*

to three other priests between them nine *denarii.*

to the clerk of the aforesaid parish church two *denarii.*

to two wardens of the aforesaid church for their labour eight *denarii.*

to the town-crier (*oratori ville*) for his labour one *denarium.*

for offerings at two masses yearly two *denarii.*

for candles for the same place four *denarii.*

for beating (*pro classeco pulsandum*) to the court crier four *denarii.*

for distribution among the poor eight *denarii.*

and for other expenses namely for bread and beer to be given to the men taking an interest in the ceremonies of the aforesaid annual service for the dead four *solidi* sterling.

And if it happens that the aforementioned Robertus, Willelmus, Thoma, Ambrosius, Iohannes, Iohannes, Willelmus, Willelmus, Ricardus, Willelmus, Benedictus, and Willelmus Wyse their heirs or the wardens of the parish church and their successors do not hold or keep the aforesaid obsequies in manner aforesaid then we will that the heirs of the aforesaid Ricardus Tucker shall be fully empowered to enter in possession of the aforementioned half tenement with stabling, etc., and also of the aforesaid portion of meadow, on condition that they the lawful heirs of the said Ricardus Tucker and their heirs shall keep and observe the aforesaid service for the dead for ever and not otherwise.

In witness of which thing to either portion of this our charter we have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Boys then Mayor; 2 Willelmus Rowe; 3 Henricus Norys;

4 Iohannes Shilston; 5 Willelmus Willeam then provost of the burgh of the aforesaid town, and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Saturday the vigil of the Apostles Simon and Iude in the fourth year of the reign of King Edward the fourth (Saturday, 27th October, 1464).

Appended to two parchment tags two complete red wax seals with good impressions. The first appears to be the letter J surmounted by a coronet; the second, the letter R similarly crowned.

On reverse of deed in English: "Hakewell and Cole theire grant to ye wardens of the church of Totton."

B.M. Add. MSS. The counterpart of above deed is in the British Museum Add. MSS. 27256.

1465. 20th March. On the death of Lord Iohannes Abell, Lord Willelmus Hille, chaplain, was presented as Vicar of Bryxham by Thoma Gylle, Iohannes Treloff, Thoma Hille and Iohannes Sarger, and instituted at Uggeburgh (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*).

Tot. Court Roll, M44. 1465. Nine membranes, measuring twenty-four inches by ten and a half inches, written on both sides with list of juries empanelled on small slips.

Totteneys. Jury empanelled in the 5th Edward IV:

Robertus Pytes, Ricardus Kent, Iohannes Chilston, Willelmus Herte, Walterus Antron, Bartholomeus Fays, Ambrosius Frank, Iohannes Holman, Henricus Roben, Iohannes Gelys, Iacobus Lucas, Willelmus ? les, Henricus Noris, David Wellys, Iohannes Cohn, Iohannes Lok junior, Willelmus Whithed, Willelmus Coleton, Iohannes Kyng.

On reverse is a short list, probably of those who sought exemption, as it terminates "granted by the Mayor" namely Henricus Nores, David Wellys, Iohannes Lok junior, Iohannes Cohn, Willelmus Whithed, Willelmus Coleton.

19th March, 1465. Tottenes. Law Court held there on Monday the morrow of the festival of St. Edward the King in the 5th Edward IV.

The bailiff is in mercy because he has not distrained several—Umfridus Stafford, Lord B. Southweke, Sir Thomas Fulleford, Thomas Donryssh, Ricardus Boughton, Ricardus Derby and others to do homage and relief to the Lord according to the custom of the manor of Magna Tottenes for all lands and tenements, etc., which they obtained from Robertus Boughton and his heirs in Magna Tottenes.

also because he has not distrained Willelmus Knyztte, at the instance of Iohannes Geffry and Alicia his wife for plea of debt: also Robertus Boughton at the instance of Andreas Ody for plea of trespass: also

Robertus Boughton at the instance of Iohannes Marrak for plea of trespass.

The case of Iohannes Worthy *versus* Ricardus Marten "wever" on plea of keeping 40 pounds of woollen thread. The same is to present the defaulter at the next Court.

The bailiff, etc., has not distrained Agneta formerly wife of Ricardus Tukker at the instance of Iohannes Gardener.

Ricardus Derby in mercy because he is not present *versus* Iohannes Whale and Isabella his wife in a plea of debt.

Ricardus Derby in mercy because he is not present *versus* Iohannes Whale and Isabella his wife in a plea of broken agreement (*con fract*).

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not distrain Ricardus Kent at the instance of Iohannes Prall in plea of debt and distraint.

Iohannes Tolk is in mercy for licence to agree with Iohannes Prall in plea of debt.

Willelmus Rawe and Andreas Ody in mercy because they do not produce Thomas Blondell at the instance of Petrus Baal in plea of debt.

The case of Willelmus Richard *versus* Iohannes Toser de Detesham in plea of debt.

The bailiff has not distrained Iohannes Benet at the instance of Iohanna widow of Rogerus Symon in plea of debt.

Iohannes Colyngton (2*d.*) and the bailiff (2*d.*) in mercy because they do not produce Iohannes Halswell at the instance of Thomas Hempston in plea of debt.

The bailiff has not distrained Iohannes Lok junior at the instance of Iohannes Prall in plea of debt and to distrain before the next.

Iohannes Rider at the instance of Iohannes Worthy in plea of trespass.

Iohannes Noseworthy *versus* Agneta Tukker in plea of debt. Iohannes Gelys makes excuses for his non appearance therefore a day is given to the next Court.

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not attach Iohannes Benet at the instance of Iohannes Lok junior in plea of debt, etc.

Iohannes Benet in mercy for licence to agree with Willelmus Boys in plea of debt.

The bailiff in mercy because he does not attach Ricardus le Tuk at the instance of David Wellys in plea of settlement.

Bartholomeus Fays in mercy because he is not present *versus* Robertus Boughton in plea of debt.

Thomas Soper not present *versus* Willelmus Hauken in plea of trespass.

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Iohannes Swete not present *versus* Willelmus Prior of Totton in plea of debt.

It is ordered for the preservation of peace without the east gate to bring into Court that " dagger " with which Iohannes Foord attacked Iohannes Pariz against the peace. To distrain " le dagger " by the next Court.

The bailiff is judged that the platter which he received from Agneta Tukker at the instance of Iohannes Gardener clerk in plea of debt remains in his custody while the bailiff is ordered to return it and to seize more before the next Court and the same does not come therefore he is in mercy.

Two horses with two saddles, two bridles and with a pannier of goods and chattels of Georg Denssell valued by Iohannes Taverner and Rogerus Morice on oath at this Jury at 14*s*. at the instance and satisfaction of Iohannes Cohn in plea *con fract* which was exacted from the said George four courts previous to the said valuation namely before the Court held on Monday on the morrow of the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the present reign of the King. And he did not come for four Courts following to render satisfaction to the said Iohannes Cohn but made four defaults (which are recorded in detail) therefore he is in mercy.

Without the west gate it is presented that Iohannes Cohn, Iohannes Lok junior, Ambrosius Franke have brewed ale and broken (the assize) therefore they are in mercy.

The tasters of ale within the gates present that Henricus Hauken, David Wellys, Willelmus Hert, Iohannes Cullyng, Ricardus Kent, Henricus Roben, Iohannes William, Gelys Gelys, Iohannes Gelys, Henricus Hollewyll, Willelmus Rawe, Iohannes Taverner, Iohannes Huchon, Iohannes Beerd, Iohannes Knap, Iohannes Shilston, Iohannes Holman, Willelmus Coleton, Robertus Boughton, Iohannes Hakewell, Agnes Tukker, Iohannes Hokemore, Agnes Burhed, Henricus Nores are in mercy because they brew ale and break the assize.

Also Iohannes Tokerman is in mercy and the said Robertus Boughton brews ale and breaks the liberty of the Merchant Gild of Totton.

The tasters without the east gate present that Ricardus Boon, Galfridus Marten, Iohannes Broun, Willelmus Saeer, Willelmus Tolk senior, Thomas Lech, Iohannes Maio, Nicholaus Maio, Iohannes Cumpion senior, Iohannes Kyng, Ricardus Parvost, Iohannes Pumbele, Robertus Pytte, Iohannes Marrak, Christian Uphom, Andreas Ody, Petrus Sweet, Iohannes Swete are in mercy because they brew ale and thus break the assize.

The constable without the west gate presents that Thomas Sumpter and Iohanna his wife are common debauchees (*ganikator'*) and breakers of the peace between their neighbours against the peace therefore they are in mercy.

The twelve for the King whose names are at the head of this Roll in a schedule annexed present as—

Constables of the peace without the east gate: Robertus Davy and Benedictus Rotyk.

Constables within the gates: Henricus Hauken and Iohannes Tokerman.

Constables withont the west gate: Simon Tarder and Rogerus Moryce.

Tasters without the east gate: Michael Merssh and Iohannes Adam.

Tasters within the gates: Ricardus Stephen and Petrus Brug.

Tasters without the west gate: Iohannes Iagowe and Willelmus Simon.

They present that Andreas Toser of Northuyssh on Saturday after the festival of St Laurencius unlawfully introduced into the marketplace of Totton six pounds by name of white woollen thread where actually were only 2½ pounds and weighed finally 3½ pounds with *varnys cloutys et muys* to the deception of the populace of the Lord King therefore he is in the mercy of the Lord. And is distrained to make amends to the Lord before the next Court.

They present that Isabella wife of Henricus Salman is *holiropper gravorum et brasii* of Willelmus Hert therefore in the mercy of the Lord. And therefore the provost is ordered and the constables of the peace without the east gate to take the said Isabella and bring her to the next Court to make amends to the Lord for the said transgression.

They present that Willelmas Knyztte unlawfully took a lamb from Willelmus Coleton therefore he is in the mercy of the Lord and the constable of the peace without the west gate is ordered to take and bring him to the next Court to make amends to the Lord, etc.

Sunday before 29th September, 1465.

They present that Dionisius Teg on Sunday before the festival of St. Michael the Archangel in the 5th year of King Edward IV feloniously broke and entered a large chest of Bartholomeus Fays here in Magna Tottenes and feloniously took thence 29 pounds of counted money and one ornamented girdle of the value of 4 marcs and other of the goods and chattels of the said Bartholomeus and carried them away, therefore all the constables of the peace of the said ville are ordered to take the said Dionisius and bring him to the next Court if they are able and place him in safe custody.

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They present Willelmus Litelton provost for the next year, and Iohannes Pycot keeps his place, who are sworn. And he elects as his bailiff Iohannes Lamborn to serve the Court for the whole of that year and to assist the said provost in all matters belonging to the said office and so is sworn.

Galfridus de Lyll *versus* Iohannes Pak in plea of contempt and trespass. Galfridus de Lyll *per* Radulphus Boson for malice done in plea of contempt and trespass. Makes excuse for non attendance therefore is given a day.

Willelmus Whithed complainant against Adam Cordener in plea of detaining a belt ornamented with silver and much prized who seized one horse and liberated it on the surety of Ricardus Dook and of the bailiff. Willelmus makes excuses for non attendance *per* Radulphus Boson and a day is given him to the next Court, etc.

(Reverse of first membrane).

Galfridus de Lyle complainant against Iohannes Pakke in plea of trespass and contempt. Sureties in the presence of Radulphus Boson and bailiff who seized a horse of Iohannes Pakke and released it on surety, etc.

Henricus Tud in mercy because he is not present *versus* Elias Blakhall in plea of debt.

Iohannes Benet not present *versus* Rogerus Marys.

Twelve for the King and Mayor in the Law Court of the Mayor and Community of Totton on the morrow of the Law Court of the Lord there which is called the "day of complement" (*dies Complementi*) of the said Prior.

The Court decides that whoever is the miller of the said manor shall have something in the nature of a *toldissh* sealed with the seal of the Lord King in the care of the Mayor and receiver and that the said millers be sworn that they will not take *tol* otherwise than by the said *toldissh* according to the law and custom of the realm of England and for this purpose the provost is ordered to summon all millers of the aforesaid manor to the next Court so that they all receive the aforesaid decision, etc.

The aforesaid twelve confirm all the above decisions.

At this Court Willelmus Whythed required in his case *versus* Adam Cordener in plea of detention appears and also the said Adam. Willelmus however *per* Radulphus Boson was reconciled in the aforesaid plea towards Adam as follows and said that since Willelmus here in Magna Tottones within the jurisdiction of this Court on the 14th July 39th of Henry VI delivered to the said Adam by the hand of Agneta Cordoner his servant

certain harness namely 12 *barres*, 1 bit (*modet'*), 1 buckle (*bokel*), 1 silver pendant doubly gilt and certain *amyle* (? medecines) to the value of 26*s.* 8*d.* from his own goods to keep by name of surety for the payment of 6*s.* 8*d.* That the amount had subsequently been paid and the goods not returned. Which the said Adam defends in person and says he does not keep unjustly the said goods as declared and brings as witnesses Ricardus Dook and Iohannes Tokerman. A day is given, etc.

Assessors (*Taxator'*) of the Court: Iohannes Noseworthy and Willelmus Northbrook. Total of the Court, 10*s.* 5*d.* Expenses, 6*s.* 1*d.*

Monday after 18th October, 1465.

Tottenes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 5th Edward IV.

The bailiff in mercy because he does not distrain Humfridus Stafford, Lord of Southweke, Thoma Fulleford knight, Thoma Donryssh, Ricardus Boughton, Ricardus Derby, and others to do homage and relief to the Lord.

also Willelmus Knyztte at the instance of Iohannes Geffry and Alice his wife in plea of debt.

also Robertus Boughton at the instance of Andreas Ody in plea of trespass and therefore to be distrained by the next Court.

also Robertus Boughton at the instance of Iohannes Marrak, etc.

The case of Iohannes Worthy *versus* Ricardus Marten in plea of detaining 10 pounds of woollen thread.

The bailiff, etc., Agneta formerly wife of Ricardus Tukker at the instance of Iohannes Gardener clerk in plea of debt.

also Ricardus Kent at the instance of Iohannes Prall in plea of debt.

Willelmus Rawe and Andreas Ody, etc., because they do not produce Thoma Blondell at the instance of Petrus Baal in plea of debt.

The case of Willelmus Rychard *versus* Iohannes Toser in plea of debt.

The bailiff, etc., Iohannes Benet at the instance of Iohanna formerly wife of Rogerus Symon in plea of debt.

Iohannes Colyngton and the bailiff, etc., because they do not produce Iohannes Halswell *alias* Rad at the instance of Thoma Hempston in plea of debt.

The bailiff, etc., Iohannes Lok junior at the instance of Iohannes Prall in plea of debt.

To distrain Iohannes Ryder at the instance of Iohannes Worthy in plea of trespass.

The bailiff, etc., Agneta formerly the wife and executrix of Ricardus

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Tukker at the instance of Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohanna his wife in plea of debt.

also Iohannes Benet at the instance of Iohannes Lok junior, debt.

also Ricardus le Tuk at the instance of David Wellys in plea of agreement.

also Agneta Tukker for 1 cauldron (*candron*) at the instance of Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohanna his wife in plea of debt, which cauldron remains in custody of the bailiff.

also Agneta formerly wife of Ricardus Tukker for 1 brass "morter" at the instance of Iohannes Gardener clerk in plea of debt and he is ordered to take charge of the same and to seize further before the next Court.

Two horses, two saddles, two bridles, all goods and chattels of Georgius Densell valued by Iohannes Taverner and Rogerus Morice at 14*s.* for the satisfaction of Iohannes Cohn in plea *con fracte* the same George was demanded in five Courts, etc.

Andreas Toser to make agreement with the Lord concerning deceit (practised on) the subjects of the Lord King selling *vernys clout et muys* in place of woollen thread of the weight of 3½ pounds hidden under the woollen thread *yn lez cluys*. To be distrained before the next Court.

It is ordered to all constables of the peace of the said manor to take and bring in Isabella wife of Henricus Salman to make agreement with the Lord because on her accusation before twelve (jurymen) for malting and brewing Willelmus Hert was unjustly taken against the peace through the same Isabella.

It is ordered to the constables of the peace without the west gate to take and bring in Willelmus Knyztte to make agreement with the Lord because he unjustly seized a lamb of the goods and chattels of Willelmus Coleton therefore he is accused before the twelve for the King.

The bailiff does not produce Iohannes Pak at the instance of Galfridus de Lyell in plea of contempt.

At this Court Willelmus Whythed and Adam Cardener, being required, appear in person (case as above).

Iohannes Cullyns 2½ pounds of woollen thread forfeited for the constable of the castle by a certain Robertus Pitte his deputy thus it is agreed by the Court by what means Thomas Walsch provost bears the office of provost as is presented in the margin (sale of forfeiture 11*d*).

14th September. 1465.

The constable of the castle presents that on Saturday next the festival of the exaltation of the Holy Cross in this present year of Edward IV

Iohannes Wynt weighs "*wastell*" ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* therefore he is in mercy.

Iohannes Faio on the same day for the same offence 1*d.* less than the the assize for 20*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

21st September. On Saturday in the festival of St. Matthew the Apostle the same Iohannes Faio weighs 1*d.* less than the assize for 20*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

28th September. On Saturday before the festival of St. Michael Ricardus Bytlegh weighs *coket* 1*d.* less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

On the same day the said Iohannes Wynt has *alb* 1*d.* less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

On the same day the said Iohannes Faio has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Monday after 1st November, 1465. Tottenes. Court held on Monday after the festival of All Saints in the 5th year of Edward IV.

Small parchment affixed to the top of roll contains names of jury in the 4th year of Edward IV; probably refers to this court.

Ricardus Kent, Robertus Pytte, Willelmus Hert, Thomas Soper (crossed out), Iohannes Shillston, David Wellys, Iacobus Lucas, Ambrosius Franke (to the fair), Iohannes Holman (to the fair), Iohannes Noseworthy, Henricus Robyn, Willelmus Coleton, Iohannes Gelys, Iohannes Toker (crossed out), Willelmus Coleto' [*sic*].

(The same cases occur copied again and again from the previous rolls; only items are transcribed therefore which refer to new names and details).

The constables are ordered to take and bring in Willelmus Knyzte to make agreement with the Lord because he is accused of unjustly taking a lamb valued 8*d.* the property of Willelmus Coleton.

Iohannes Beerd *versus* Iohannes Kyng senior who puts in a plea that he was not summoned by the bailiff therefore is deferred.

Iohannes Beerd by surety of the bailiff *versus* Iohannes Weke in plea of debt. Because he was not summoned therefore he is summoned to the next court.

Robertus William by surety of Iohannes William plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Broun in plea of debt. Summoned to next court.

The bailiff is ordered to distrain from Agneta Tukker 1 *goospan* of iron at the instance of Iohannes Gardener clerk.

Thomas Gilmyn plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Emmot in plea of detaining 1 belt of green silk with silver ornaments (1 *zone cerici viridis cum arg' harnec'*). He sends excuses for non presence therefore deferred to next court.

Ricardus Kent plaintiff *versus* Thomas Hamelyn in plea of debt.

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The constables of the peace without the east gate are to bring in that dagger drawn by Willelmus Lyntol against the peace upon Michael Merssh and deliver to the constable of the castle because it is a perquisite to his office.

Iacobus Lucas of Magna Tottenes "wever" plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Swete of the same town "taillor" in plea of debt, deferred to next court.

The constable of the castle presents that on Saturday after the last festival of St. Luke the Evangelist Rogerus Clerk weighed bread of whole grain (*omnium granorum*) at 1*d.* less than the assize (weight) for 20*s.* therefore he is in mercy.

On the same day Willelmus Saeer has bread in his possession 1*d.* less than for 6*s.*

On the Saturday before the festival of Simon and Iude [*sic*] the aforesaid Rogerus Clerk has bread of whole grain 1*d.* less for 20*s.*

On the same day Ambrosius Frank 1*d.* less than 7*s.* and Willelmus Saeer 1*d.* less than 8*s.*

Willelmus Nenes plaintiff against Iohannes Leche de Hurberton in plea of trespass since he declares him to be a rebel against the lawful government of the King therefore all constables of the manor of Magna Tottenes and of the constable of the castle are ordered to take the said Iohannes arrest and bring him in custody to the court, etc., etc., and not to omit to do this under penalty, etc.

Total of the Court, 21*d.*

11th November, 1465.

Tottenes. Court of assize and of all other plaints held there on Monday the festival of St. Martin the Bishop in the aforementioned year.

Many repetitions of former cases.

Judgment between Iohannes Cohn plaintiff and Georg Densell defendant to defer until the arrival of *Cap' Sen'*."

All constables of the manor again ordered to take Iohannes Leche de Hurberton and bring him in at the instance of Willelmus Nenys the Lord's servant in plea of trespass for striking and wounding the said servant on the right hand with a dagger and to deliver the said dagger to the constable of the castle.

The constable of the castle presents that on Saturday before the festival of St. Martin the Bishop Thomas Soper weighed bread 1*d.* less than the assize for 16*s.* also Willelmus Saeer 1*d.* less for 10*s.*

The provost presents that Willelmus Hert and Iohannes Toker acquired from Stephanus Ussher all his lands and tenements in Magna Tottenes whilst they rendered to the Lord relief as appears (in margin 14½*d.*) and

did homage. Also that the same Stephanus and Iohanna his wife acquired from the same Willelmus and Iohannes the same land whilst they rendered to the Lord relief as appears (in margin 14½*d.*).

The constables without the east gate are ordered to bring in to the next court Is(abella) wife of Henricus Salman, Andreas Toser, and Willelmus Knyztte and Iohannes Leche de Hurberton to make agreement with the Lord concerning various trespasses since they are accused by the twelve for the King and the said Iohannes Leche for striking Simon Tarde one of the constables without the west gate.

Galfridus de Lyell is in mercy (2*d.*) for false plaint against Iohannes Pak in plea of contempt and trespass.

The bailiff reports that he has distrained Willelmus Coyte in 1 brass platter at the instance of Iohannes Coulyng in plea of debt and he is ordered to retain the same and to take more before the next Court.

Iohannes Asshlegh de Dertyngton junior for licence of agreement with Iohannes Brendon in plea of debt.

The constables without the west gate present that Iohannes Leche de Hurberton against the peace drew a dagger on Simon Tarde one of the constables without the said gate when he arrested him at the instance of Willelmus Nenys on a plea of trespass. The constables of the manor are again ordered to take him, etc.

Beatrix widow and executrix of Petrus Savery and her son Petrus Savory [*sic*] co-executor plaintiffs *versus* Willelmus Hauken in plea of debt.

Iohannes William de Brente plaintiff *versus* Rogerus Alman for licence of agreement on a plea of debt who took possession of a horse and liberated it on the sureties of Iohannes Gelys and Henricus Norys who are not present therefore they are in mercy.

Total of the Court, 14*d.*

Monday after 21st December, 1465.

Tottenes. Court of assizes and of all other plaints held there on Monday after the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the above year.

At this Court Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohanna his wife in their plaint *versus* Agneta Tukker on a plea of debt appear *i.e.* the said Iohannes himself and the said Iohanna represented by the said Iohannes her attorney and the said Agneta was represented by Iohannes Shilston her attorney and the said Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohanna by Radulphus Boson.

They say that the said Iohanna was retained in the service of Ricardus Tukker testator of the said Agneta in the office of husbandry (farm labourer) from the 14th January in the 18th King Henry VI for the three

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following years to receive annually 12*s.* or 36*s.* for the three years. Only 4*s.* 8*d.* was received so there remained 31*s.* 4*d.* The said Ricardus died leaving Agneta his executrix, and after his death Iohannes Noseworthy married Iohanna and required the said Agneta to pay the 31*s.* 4*d.* The defence is that the case was called and that neither Iohannes Noseworthy nor Iohanna came nor made excuses therefore the case was dismissed.

(The efforts of the constables to arrest the individuals ordered on the 11th November were evidently unsuccessful, as the same misdemeanants are again recorded at the court held 21st December, instructions being given again for their arrest. The administration of the law, other than by the monotonous recording of the same cases court after court, seems to have been very lax. A fine of 1*d.* is constantly entered against the bailiff for non-distraint; probably the culprit preferred to pay the bailiff's fine, together with a douceur for the obligation, and thus retain possession of his goods or liberty.)

Robertus Greyhod at the instance of Iohannes Pycot in plea of debt to appear at next court.

Saturday before 8th December, 1465.

The constable of the castle presents that on Saturday before the festival of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Iohannes Clerk of Bucfastlegh weighed bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Iohannes Compion junior weighed whole grain bread 1*d.* less than the assize for 20*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

On Saturday after the festival of St. Lucy the Virgin Thomas Parker of Kynggysbrygg had in his possession *wastell* ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* 8*d.* (fined 2*d.*). The same Parker has bread 1*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Thomas Soper has whole grain bread 1*d.* less than the assize for 20*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

Iohannes Compion senior has bread 1*d.* less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Philippus Whiler has *wastell* ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

13th January, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of law and assize and of all other plaints and actions held on Monday the festival of St. Hillary.

The tasters without the west gate present that Iohannes Noseworthy (2*d.*), Iohannes Reynold (2*d.*), Iohannes Cohn (2*d.*) and Ambrosius Frank (2*d.*) brew ale and therefore break the assize.

The tasters within the gates present that Henricus Hauken, David Well, Willelmus Hert, Iohannes Cutlyng, Ricardus Kent, Henricus Roben, Iohannes William, Egidius Gylys, Iohannes Gylys, Henricus

Holewell, Iohannes Stanbery, Willelmus Rawe, Iohannes Tanner, Iohannes Huch(er ?)on, Iohannes Beerd, Iohannes Knap, Iohannes Shilston, Iohannes Holman, Willelmus Coleton, Robertus Boughton, Agneta Tukker, Iohannes Hokemor, Agneta Burhed, Henricus Nores, Ricardus Dooke brew ale and break the assize (each fined 2*d.*)

The tasters without the east gate present that Ricardus Boon, Galfridus Marten, Iohannes Bronn, Willelmus Saeer, Willelmus Tolk senior, Thomas Lech(er ?), Iohannes Maio, Nicholaus Maio, Iohannes Cumpion senior, Iohannes Kyng, Ricardus Provost [*sic*], Iohannes Pombele, Robertus Pittes, Iohannes Marrak, Christina Uphom, Andreas Ody, Petrus Swete, and Iohannes Swete brew ale and therefore break the assize (each fined 2*d.*).

The bailiff that he has not distrained Agneta Tukker for 1 brass *chaufe* (mentioned above as *mortar*) at the instance of Iohannes Gardener clerk, etc.

The bailiff that he distrain Ricardus Kent for one silver *cocliar* at the instance of Iohannes Prall.

The bailiff to distrain Iohannes Benet *bocherr* for licence of agreement for 1 *bocheryg* at the instance of Iohanna formerly wife of Rogerus Simon.

Order for arrest of same delinquents as at previous court.

Bailiff fined 2*d.* for not distraining Willelmus Coyde at the instance of Iohannes Canlyng (not present) in plea of debt.

Bailiff ordered to distrain Iohannes Swete (fined 1*d.*) for one brass platter at the instance of Iacobus Lucas.

Iohannes Hokemor in mercy because he is not present *versus* Iohannes Swete.

Willelmus Hauken in mercy for licence of agreement with Beatrix Savere and Petrus Savery in plea of debt.

Willelmus Hert does not appear *versus* Petrus Baal in a plea of debt.

To distrain further Iohanna Weke at the instance of Iohannes Berd in plea of debt.

To attach Robertus Greihod at the instance of Iohannes Picot in plea of debt.

Iohannes Warde and Iohannes Hucheron, for not producing Iohannes Bab atte Were at the instance of Ricardus Vennyng in a plea of debt, are fined 4*d.*

Ricardus Marten *versus* Edwardus Austen summoned for next court.

The twelve for the King present that Is(abella) Sefar is a common *garulatrix narratrix semiatrix discordia* between the *holoropper* of the

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inhabitants, *astultatrix* between companies and battalions (*catervas*) near the entrances and windows of the inhabitants by looking up (*suspecose*) *de corpore viveve* and received together with Iohannes Kedkind and Margeria his wife against the peace. Therefore the constables without the east gate are ordered to take and bring in the said Is', Iohannes and Margeria to make agreement with the Lord concerning the said trespasses of which they are accused.

They present that Thomas Hamelyn and Is' his wife are common *contentor' scandalator'* of false evil words between the inhabitants, disturbers of the peace, common receivers of vagabonds (*noctivagorum hominum*) male and female, etc. Therefore the constables without the west gate are ordered to take and bring in the said Thomas and Is', etc.

Also that the same Thomas Hamelin and Is' unjustly by force and arms abstracted a horse from the fold (*pound faldo*) of Iohannes Noseworthy taken in the close of the said Iohannes in his corn for damage done there therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord of the manor 14½*d.*

They also present that Agnes Lese att well, Is' Donn, Iohanna Knyztte, Iohannes Moulyssh are common *holoropperes* abstracting various goods of the inhabitants, breaking from their fences and abstracting their firewood against the peace, therefore the constables are to take them all and bring them to the Lord's court, etc.

Assessors of the Court, Iohannes Noseworthy and Willelmus Northbroke. Expenses of the seneschal, 5*s.* 6*d.* Total of the Court, 8*s.* 10*d.*

20th January, 1466.

Totteneys. Court of actions held on Monday the festival of SS. Fabian and Sebastian Martyrs.

Many previous cases re-entered.

The bailiff to distrain Iohannes Swete for 1 *pressing yr* at the instance of Iacobus Lucas in a plea of debt; also to distrain Iohannes Swete for 1 brass platter at the instance of Iacobus Luky in a plea of detention; also to distrain Iohannes Swete for one little flagon (*laguncula*) of pewter at the instance of Iacobus Luky in plea of trespass and because he does not appear is in mercy.

Isabella Sefar (4*d.*) by the surety of Iohannes Pygot, Iohannes Kedland and Margeria his wife (4*d.*) by surety of the bailiff, Iohannes Mulyssh (4*d.*) by surety of Iohannes Lok junior, Agnes Lesewell (6*d.*), Isabella Donn spynster (4*d.*), fines for false *holcroppyng* told between neighbours.

Iohannes Benet *bocherr versus* Willelmus Hauken in a plea of debt.

Iohannes Derte does not appear *versus* Iohannes atte Stoke in a plea of debt.

Willelmus Hauken *versus* Iohannes Benet *bocherr* in a plea of detention also in a plea of debt.

Total of the Court, 5*s.* 3½*d.*

3rd February, 1466. Tottenes. Court of actions with all other plaints held on Monday on the morrow of the festival of the Purification.

Many previous cases repeated.

At this Court Willelmus Hauken acknowledged that he owed Iohannes Benet 7*s.* which he paid together with 2*d.* expenses.

The bailiff to summon Iohannes Benet at the instance of Willelmus Hauken in a plea of trespass; and again at the instance of the aforesaid Willelmus and Soneta his wife on a plea of debt.

The bailiff is in mercy because he has not further distrained Ricardus Kent at the instance of Iohannes Prall in a plea of debt and that he was detained together with Ricardus de Esse in council with Willelmus William de Bryxam against Ricardus Boon.

On small parchment slip: Jury empanelled in case between Ricardus Martyn and Edwardus Austyn. Robertus William, Dynys Galyon, Willelmus Offert, Willelmus Horys, Iohannes Kyng, Geffrey Lyell, Thomas Styrte, Thomas Gylmyn, Willelmus Cornyan, Iohannes Taverner, Iohannes Gonetun, Iohannes Berde, Wat' Mayn, Iohannes Helyer, Iohannes Gome, Iohannes Erle, Iohannes Thomas, Iohannes per Downe.

Ricardus Marten by surety of the provost plaintiff *versus* Edward Austen in a plea of debt is summoned for the next court.

Ricardus Marten plaintiff *versus* Thomas Marten by surety of the provost in a plea of debt.

Willelmus Marten and Iohannes Crokker plaintiffs *versus* Iohannes Byglake in a plea of debt by surety of the bailiff who attached one horse and liberated it on the surety of Iohannes Worthy sub-plaintiff of the deliberation since by the first law on the occasion of debt he was summoned.

Between Iohannes Worthy plaintiff and Iohannes Noseworthy defendant and between David Wellys plaintiff and Iohannes Tokerman and Alicia his wife defendants represented by Thomas Soper to be heard at next assize court.

10th February, 1466. Tottenes. Court held there on Monday the festival of St. Scolastica the Virgin in the aforesaid year.

The constable of the castle presents that Iohannes Faio de Kynges-br'(idge) on Saturday after the festival of the Epiphany weighed whole

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grain bread for 12*s.* fined 2*d.* (there is no mention of the same being *minus ass'*; possibly an omission).

On the same day Willelmus Saeer has bread *d rang* less than the assize for 6*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Iohannes Compion has bread *d rang* less than the assize for 6*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On Saturday before the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul Willelmus Cornyssh de Kyng has bread *d coket* less than the assize for 8*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

Iohannes Faio de K. has bread *d* less than the assize for 6*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Thomas Soper has bread *d rang* less than the assize for 8*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Ambrosius Frank has bread *d rang* less than the assize for 8*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On Saturday before the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary Iohannes Faio has bread *d coket* less than the assize for 8*s.* (fined 2*d.*).

Thos. Parker de Dodbroke has *wastell* ½*d.* less then the assize for 5*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

The bailiff is ordered to distrain Agneta Tukker for 1 spacious washing basin (*pelvis latum*) at the instance of Iohannes Gardener (not present) in a plea of debt and because she does not come therefore is in mercy (fined 2*d.*).

also to distrain Agneta Tukker for 1 *chafer* spacious at the instance of Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohanna his wife in a plea of debt and because she does not come, etc., (fined 2*d.*).

Iordanus Rogg by surety of the bailiff plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Northbroke in plea of debt.

Iohannes Benet by surety of Iohannes Pycot plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Pope in plea of trespass (*q att' p pisas et fabas*) from whom peas and beans are confiscated and delivered on the surety of Thomas Soper and Iohannes Ward.

Iohannes Holman by surety of Willelmus Cosen plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Ocle in a plea of debt.

24th February, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held there on Monday the festival of St. Matthias the Apostle in the above year.

All the constables of the manor, the provost and his bailiff are ordered to take and bring in Iohannes Benet to make agreement with his Lord, that he be put in the prison of the Lord, placed there by the constables of the peace without the west gate and delivered to the aforesaid provost and bailiff under safe custody to answer to the charge (made by) Willelmus Hauken and Soneta his wife in plea of trespass.

The provost is in mercy because he allowed Iohannes Benet to escape from the prison of the Lord, etc.

Iohannes Berd is in mercy for false plaint against Iohannes Bydlake in plea of debt.

Radulphus Boson per Willelmus Ocle *versus* Thomas Soper in a plea of deceit. He made excuse for non appearance therefore a day is given for the next Court.

The plaint of Iohannes Smale *versus* Iohannes Litelton in a plea of debt, sureties Iohannes Noseworthy and the bailiff.

Iohannes Cohn and the bailiff are in mercy because they do not produce Ricardus Soper at the instance of Iohannes Cayssh *alias* Clement in a plea of debt.

Rogerus Morice one of the constables of the peace without the west gate of the manor is in mercy because he does not come to answer the court for four successive courts.

Monday after 24th February, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of St. Matthias the Apostle in the 6th year of Edward IV (should be 5th year).

All constables of the peace of the manor are ordered to take and bring in Iohannes Goneton, etc., in safe custody to answer to Iohannes Worthy and all the liege subjects of the Lord King that he against the peace counterfeited to ruin the same Iohannes Worthy (*imitavit eundem occidere*).

18th March, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held on Monday the festival of St. Edeward King in the 5th Edward IV.

Iohannes Cassh *alias* Clement *versus* Ricardus Soper in a plea of debt who is attached by surety of Iohannes Cohn and the bailiff. Made excuse for non attendance per Iohannes Lamborn.

The bailiff why he has not distrained Iohannes Tolke at the instance of Iohannes Prall.

Willelmus Cosen in mercy *versus* Iohannes Cove in a plea of trespass against him that the said Iohannes made his own law (? took the law into his own hands) against the same Willelmus.

Willelmus Cosen plaintiff *versus* by surety Walterus Antron plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Cove in a plea *con fracte*.

Robertus William plaintiff *versus* Anerid Kys in a plea of debt the bailiff is surety for his appearance who attached a horse which remains in the custody of the bailiff and he is ordered to retain the same and to take further security.

At this court the Mayor weighs bread *wastelli* brought before him as a whole bushell of *wastell* made from 1 bushell of corn bought for 10*d.* which

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according to the statute of the assize of bread *wastell*, etc., should weigh 42*s*. whatever the price is. The constable of the castle is to weigh *wastell* by the same weight until the next law court and moreover whether the price increases or decreases.

24th March, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held there on Monday the eve of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (25th March) in the 6th Edward IV.

Iohannes Rider in mercy because he is not present *versus* Willelmus Stephen in a plea of debt.

Deferred from Easter Monday to Monday before 23rd April, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of assize and of all plaints held on Monday the morrow of Easter in the 6th Edward IV kept in the position it is now up to Monday in the quindenna (fifteen days subsequent) to the same festival according to the custom of the manor which will be the Monday before the festival of St. George the Martyr.

Tottenes. Court of Law held there on Monday before the festival of St. George the Martyr in the 6th Edward IV.

At which day the ale-tasters without the west gate present that Iohannes Noseworthy (2*d*.), Iohannes Cohn (2*d*.), Iohannes Reynold (2*d*.), Ambrosius Franke (2*d*.), and Iohannes Lokke (2*d*.) brew ale and therefore break the assize.

The plaint of Iohannes Tolke *versus* Iohannes Badeworthy in a plea of debt deferred to the next court. A horse confiscated is liberated on the surety of Iohannes Tokerman and the bailiff.

To distrain Willelmus Ryder at the instance of Iohannes Worthy in a plea of trespass.

The provost presents that Iohannes Gardener clerk, Galfridus Hakwell, Willelmus Hokemore and Iohannes Teot acquire from Agneta Tukker various lands with appurtenances within the manor. To hold of the Lord by relief as in margin (14½*d*.), Willelmus Herte henceforth to do homage to the Lord.

The provost presents that Sir Willelmus Courtenay, Iohannes Shilston senior, Willelmus Shilston and others acquire various lands and tenements from Iohannes Shilston junior and Iohanna his wife in Magna Tottenes while granting to the Lord relief (14½*d*.) and are distrained to render homage to the Lord at the next Court.

(A small strand of grass is inserted through the margin of parchment and tied over the edge forming a marker for reference to the following).

On behalf of the King it is presented that Ricardus Tukker was seized of certain lands, etc., in Magna Tottenes and in his will left to Agneta his

wife the same for the term of her life and with remainder to Iohanna her daughter and to her heirs which Agneta thus seized by virtue of the aforesaid will gave all the aforesaid lands and tenements to Iohannes Gardener clerk, Willelmus Herte, Willelmus Hokemore, Iohannes Tyot and Galfridus Hakewell to the disinheritance of the aforesaid Iohanna. Upon which Iohannes Shilston junior and the aforesaid Iohanna now his wife entered into the said lands by right of the said Iohanna daughter and heir of the said Ricardus. Which Iohannes and Iohanna thus feof Sir William Courtenay, Iohannes Bruysfoord and others as above at same time paying relief to the Lord and are distrained to pay homage at the next Court.

It is presented that Willelmus Quatford of Dertyngton in the county of Devon *frankelen* on the Saturday before Palm Sunday in the 6th Edward IV namely with a cudgel (*baculum*) assaulted and wounded Robertus Pyttes near to Magna Tottenes and ill used and brought on other great (evils) so that his life was despaired of, since it is against the peace of the Lord King it is decreed that he be taken.

The tasters within the gates present that Henricus Hauken, Willelmus Hert, Iohannes Cullyng, Ricardus Kent, Henricus Roben, Iohannes William, Iohannes Gelys, Gelys Gelys, Henricus Hollewyll, Iohannes Stanbery, Willelmus Rawe, Iohannes Taverner, Iohannes Huchon, Iohannes Beerd, Iohannes Knap, Iohannes Shilston, Iohannes Holman, Willelmus Coleton, Robertus Boughton, David Wellys, Agnes Tukker, Iohannes Hokemore, Ricardus Dooke, Agnes Burhed, Henricus Norys, Thomas Berkelegh brew ale and therefore break the assize, each is fined 2*d*.

For the King (the jury) present that Iohanna Boly is a common *holoropper* of scandals and other petty matters which are revealed.

It is presented that the road without the north gate between Willelmus Boys and Iohannes Antron is broken with deep holes therefore they are in mercy, fined 1*d*. each.

The constable of the castle presents that on Saturday after the festival of St. Gregory the Pope last Iohannes Faio has white bread less than the assize for 7*s*. (fined 1*d*.) also *wastell* ½*d*. less than the assize for 44*d*. (fined 1*d*.). Iohannes Saeer has bread ½*d*. less than the assize for 5*s*. and also *wastell* ½*d*. less than the assize for 5*s*. Iohannes Parker has ½*d*. *simonell* (simnel cake generally made in three cornered form, superior to *wastell* which was well baked fine white bread) less than the assize for 6*s*. On the same day Thomas Soper has *simonell* ½d. less than the assize for 4*s*.

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The tasters without the east gate present that Ricardus Boon, Galfridus Marten, Iohannes Bronn, Willelmus Saeer, Willelmus Tolke senior, Thos. Lech(er), Iohannes Maio, Nicholaus Maio, Iohannes Compoon senior, Iohannes Kyng, Ricardus Provost, Iohannes Pumbele, Robertus Pitte, Iohannes Marrak, Christina Uphom, Andreas Ody, Petrus Swete, brew ale and therefore break the assize, fined 2*d.* each.

Assessors of the Court, Ambrosius Franke and Iohannes Lok junior. Expenses of the seneschal, 5*s.* 9*d.* Total of the Court, 11*s.* 1*d.*

Monday after 23rd April, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of St. Gregory the Martyr in the 6th Edward IV.

Willelmus Quatford on the surety of Iohannes Picot paid 4*d.* fine to the Lord for attack and assault made on Robertus Pitte against the peace.

It is ordered that the first eighteen of the younger jurymen are to be present at the next court to decide if Iohannes Cove taillor breaks compact with Willelmus Cosen concerning the making of a gown (*toga*) likewise the wife of the aforesaid Willelmus.

Plaint of Iohannes Smale de Dene plaintiff *versus* Thomas Whele de Gabriel Stoke in a plea of debt who is attached (bailed) by the surety of Iohannes Marrak and the bailiff.

Willelmus Whithed at the instance of Ricardus Marten "wever" in a plea of debt.

Ricardus Marten at the instance of Willelmus Whithed in a plea of detention which Ricardus unreasonably had brought against the aforesaid plaintiff and Willelmus Cosen and Iohannes Bronn go surety to the jury for the non detention of a *cradell.*

The provost and bailiff are ordered to summon eighteen minor jurymen to hear this at the next court.

Monday before 5th May, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of the Manor held there on Monday before the festival of the Ascension in the 6th Edward IV.

Ricardus Marten "wever" recognised that he owes Iohannes Worthy 2*s.* 7*d.* and 8*d.* expenses to the plaintiff.

The bailiff, etc., why he has not distrained Iohannes Gardener clerk, Galfridus Hakewell, Willelmus Hokemore and Iohannes Teot and Willelmus Hert to do relief and homage to the Lord for lands, etc., acquired from Agneta Tukker within his manor.

also why he has not distrained Sir Willelmus Courtenay, Iohannes Shilston senior, Willelmus Shilston and others to do homage, etc., for lands, etc., acquired from Iohannes Shilston junior and Iohanna his wife.

Willelmus Boys and Ricardus Warde do homage for lands, etc., acquired from Rogerus Cole within the manor (relief 14½*d.*).

Ricardus Yoland plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Stephen in plea of debt who is attached by surety of Ambrosius Frank and of the bailiff which plaintiff makes excuse for absence *per* Thoma Donn therefore a day, etc.

The plaint of Elianora Prioress of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Corneworthy, by surety of Willelmus Rawe and Ricardus Kente *versus* Willelmus Whithed in a plea of detention deferred until the next court.

Tottenes. Court held there on Monday before the festival of Pentecost.

The plaint of Iohannes Smale *versus* Thoma Whale in a plea of debt and Iohannes Marrak and the bailiff are in mercy because they do not produce the same Thomas to answer to the aforesaid Iohannes in the aforesaid plea.

Alionora Prioress of Corneworthy in mercy because not present *versus* Willelmus Whithed in a plea of detention by surety of Willelmus Rawe and Ricardus Kent.

The chattels of Willelmus Notyngham escaped felon, two brass pots (*olla*) with iron rings hanging, one bow, one sheaf of arrows of peacock feathers (*de pocock*), two chests and other things enclosed in the same under seal remaining in the custody of Thoma Soper who refuses to deliver to the provost of the Lord of the manor as long as escheat to the Lord is *de juro* and therefore the provost is ordered to be present at the next court.

The constable of the castle presents that on Saturday the festival of the Holy Cross, Thomas Parker de Dodbroke has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 40*d.* therefore he is in mercy.

Also on Saturday after the festival of the Ascension, Stephanus Wynt(er ?) de Kyngysbryg has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 6*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Ricardus Bitlegh has *wastell* ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Willelmus Cornyssh has *wastell* ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

On the same day Thomas Parker has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

On the same day Iohannes Thomas has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

On the same day Iohannes Berd has *wastell* ½*d.* less than the assize for 6*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

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On the same day Willelmus Saeer has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 7*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

On the same day Ambrosius Franke has musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*) The same Ambrosius has musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*)

Iohannes Taverner has whole grain bread less than the assize for 23*s.* (fined 1*d.*) Total of the court, 2*s.* 3*d.*

Monday after Trinity Sunday (2nd June, 1466)

Tottenes. Court of the Manor held there of personal actions on Monday on the morrow of the festival of the Holy Trinity in the 6th Edward IV.

Iohannes Ross plaintiff from Gilbertus Mewes in a plea of debt.

The bailiff declares on his oath that Iohannes Benet butcher (*carnifex*) has nothing which he can distrain unless the meat which he sells on market days as it is decided by Thomas Hexte that the bailiff ought not to take or distrain the same because it is not legal. Therefore the distraint at the instance of Iohannes Huch(er)on in a plea of debt is deferred to the next court.

Monday before 11th June (9th June, 1466)

Tottenes. Court held on Monday before the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the 6th Edward IV.

(The record of this court owing to rubbing of the roll is very indistinct, no new names or cases are distinguishable, and the heading of the next court, probably a week later, is for the same reason illegible).

Iohannes Yendbroke plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Miller of Dertyngton carpenter in plea of debt who is defended against the said plaintiff by Iohannes Thomas. He makes excuse for absence and is given a day.

Iohannes Waterman and Thomec' (Thomesia) his wife plaintiffs *versus* Iohannes Beerd in a plea of debt.

30th June, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held on Monday the morrow of the festival of St. Peter the Apostle.

Henricus Tud plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Coll in a plea of debt. A horse is taken as bail and liberated on the surety of Bartholomeus Fayo.

The bailiff is ordered to attach Nicholaus Brouse one black calf at the instance of Iohannes Donnyg on a plea of trespass liberated by surety of Iohannes Lok junior and the bailiff who do not produce it. The two latter are fined 2*d.* each.

Iohannes Donnyg plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Donce in a plea of trespass.

Iohannes Yurell and Iohanna his wife plaintiffs *versus* Rogerus Morice in a plea of debt.

The homage of Iohannes Gardener clerk, Willelmus Hokemore, Galfridus Hakewell and Iohannes Teot for lands, etc., acquired from Agneta Tukker deferred until the arrival of the chief seneschal it is said that it is sufficient that Willelmus Herte one of the co-feofees did homage for all according to the custom of the manor: for the jury to decide.

The goods and chattels of Willelmus Notyngham, escaped felon, left in the custody of Thomas Soper until the arrival of the chief seneschal are now formerly surrendered to the Mayor, constable of the castle, sub-seneschal, provost and bailiff who proceed to the house of the said Thomas and take possession.

Iohannes Nosworthy is in mercy because in evidence in open court he falsely denied and unlawfully argued Iohannes Worthy to be guilty at this court of felony in taking one water bucket with iron handle attached and rope tied to the handle which bucket the said Iohannes Worthy said he had rightly taken and proved the same etc., etc.

Ricardus Marten is also in mercy because he argued unlawfully that Iohannes Worthy had kept ten pounds of linen thread for 1½ years whereas the same Iohannes received in the name of the Lord (of the manor) three verdicts vindicating him, etc.

Monday after 7th July, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of personal actions held on Monday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas of Canterbury in the aforesaid year. (The festival was on the 7th Iuly and as the previous Monday was the 30th Iune the Monday following was the festival).

The bailiff is ordered to summon Rogerus Morice at the instance of Iohannes Yurell and Iohanna his wife executors of the will of Walterus Walys.

21st July, 1466.

Tottones. Court of assize held on Monday after the festival of S. Margareta the Virgin in the 6th Edward IV.

The assize of Iohannes Worthy although he makes forfeiture *versus* Iohannes Noseworthy is deferred from this Monday until Monday three weeks hence *per* the defendant Thomas Soper since he is one of the twelve jurymen in the said assize, etc.

4th August, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of assize and of all other personal actions held on Monday after the festival of S. Peter *ad vinculam*.

Willelmus Rono by surety of Robertus Pytte and the provost plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Saeer de K. in a plea of debt who is attached by surety of Bartholomeus Fayo and the bailiff which same Iohannes Saeer is in mercy for licence of agreement with the said plaintiff.

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Willelmus Lovet by surety of the bailiff plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Kynkam in a plea of debt whose horse is attached and remains in custody of the provost.

Plaint of Iohannes Worthy *versus* Iohannes Ryder in a plea of trespass deferred to the next court at the instance of Stephanus Ussher and a date is given them.

11th August, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of assize and of other personal actions held on Monday before the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To distrain Iohannes Beerd to satisfy the Lord for trespass for lopping the oaks, ash trees, and cornel trees belonging to the Lord growing upon the moat of the castle of the Lord against the peace of the Lord King.

At this court the constable of the castle presents that on Saturday before the festival of Pentecost Stephanus Wynt(er) weighs bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (fined 1*d.)*

Saturday before 7th July.

On Saturday before the festival of St. Thomas the Martyr Iohannes Saeer de K. had whole grain bread (*omnium granorum*) less than the assize for 30*s.* (fined 2*d.*)

On the same day Thomas Soper has musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Ambrosius Franke has musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*) also Willelmus Saeer (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Iohannes Cumpion junior has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 40*d.* (fined 1*d.*).

Saturday before 11th June.

On Saturday before the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle Iohannes Saeer de K. has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

On the same day Willelmus Saeer de T. has musty bread less than the assize for 15*s.* (fined 1*d.*) also ½*d.* less than 8*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Saturday before 24th June.

On Saturday before the festival of St. John the Baptist Thomas Soper has musty bread less than the assize for 12*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Willelmus Saeer ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (no fine recorded) and Iohannes Beerd ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Saturday after 24th June.

On Saturday after the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist Willelmus Cornyssh de K. has white bread less than the assize for 8*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Thomas Parker de D. has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 3*s.* (no fine recorded).

Saturday after 29th June.

On Saturday after the festival of St. Peter and St. Paul Iohannes Saeer de K. has whole grain bread less than the assize for 3*li.* (fined 3*d.*) and Willelmus Saeer de T. has musty bread less than the assize for 12*s.* and Ambrosius Franke musty bread less than the assize for 12*s.* (each fined 1*d.*).

Iohannes Beerd has *w(astell)* ½*d.* less than the assize for 8*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Saturday after 7th July.

On Saturday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr, Ricardus Bitlegh has *w(astell)* ½*d.* less than the assize for 4*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Willelmus Cornyssh de K. ½*d.* less than the assize for 4*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Thomas Soper de T. has musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Ambrosius Franke musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Iohannes Cumpion senior musty bread less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*).

Saturday after 1st August.

On Saturday after the festival of St. Peter *ad vincula* Stephanus Wynt(er) has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 5*s.* (no fine recorded) and Ricardus Byttelegh has *w(astell)* ½*d.* less than the assize for 12*s.* (fined 1*d.*). and Thomas Parker de D. has white bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 12*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Willelmus Cornyssh ½*d.* less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Ricardus Bitlegh has bread ½*d.* less than the assize for 10*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Thomas Parker de D. has *w(astell)* ½*d.* less than the assize for 12*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Ambrosius Frank has musty bread less than the assize for 30*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Willelmus Saeer has musty bread less than the assize for 20*s.* (fined 1*d.*) and Iohannes Thomas has *w(astell)* ½*d.* less than the assize for 6*s.* (fine not recorded) and Iohannes Beerd has *w(astell)* ½*d.* less than the assize for 4*s.*

Iohannes Kynkam (2*d.*) is in mercy for licence of agreement with Willelmus Lovet in a plea of debt. Ricardus Kent surety for appearance.

To this Court Iohannes Worthy is summoned in his plaint of trespass against Iohannes Ryder. Iohannes Yurell attorney appears for Iohannes Ryder. The plaintiff Iohannes Worthy declares that Iohannes Rider on 20th March in the 6th Edward IV here in Magna Tottenes unlawfully by force that is with cudgel and dagger broke into his close and with spades and shovels (*spadonibus et shovelys*) unlawfully dug the land of the said close and trampled under foot and destroyed his grass growing there and committed other enormities to the heavy loss of the said plaintiff of 40*s.* The defence *per* Iohannes Yurell attorney is that the said close is the escheat of Lord Willelmus la Zouch *per* his officials and that he had left it to Stephanus Usher and that it is not the free tenement of the aforesaid plaintiff and he petitions that the case be inquired into by the Grand Jury.

And the plaintiff denies that the close belongs to the Lord or has there been cause to escheat, etc. A certain Willelmus Mosefen son and heir of Isabella Mosefen was seized of the said close and on his death in the 1st Henry VI on the festival of St. Michael the said plaintiff, as son and heir of Agatha daughter and heiress of Agatha who was the sister and

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heiress of the aforesaid Isabella mother of Willelmus Mosefen became seized of the said close. And he also petitions that the case should come before the Grand Jury.

Therefore the provost is ordered to summon twelve of the Grand Jury to be present three weeks hence.

At this court Iohannes Worthy summoned in his assize of forfeiture done *versus* Iohannes Noseworthy, both appear: but three out of the six jurymen of the Grand Assize summoned by the Mayor according to the custom of the manor are absent. The provost is ordered to summon six from the panel returned by the Mayor to be present at the Court three weeks hence.

Iohannes Worthy appeals to the law at third hand (*ponet se ad legem se III manu*) *versus* Ricardus Marten (not present) that he does not owe him 22*d.* for (*pro tixtur' porcionem blodii* 1 *duodeni*) a day is granted.

25th August, 1466.

Tottenes. Court held on Monday the morrow of the festival of S. Bartholomew the Apostle in the 6th Edward IV.

The bailiff in mercy because he has not distrained Iohannes Berd to satisfy the Lord for trespass in lopping ash and cornel trees on the castle hill.

Rogerus Morice by surety of the provost is at law at third hand therefore at the next Court *versus* Iohannes Yurell and Iohanna his wife executors of the will of Walterus Walys that he does not owe them 2*s.* because there remains 11*s.* for 1 *stur* bought of the said Walterus and not paid before the entry of the plea.

1st September, 1466.

Tottenes. Court of assize and of other personal actions held on Monday after the festival of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist.

The bailiff is ordered to attach Ricardus Kent for 1 silver *coliar* at the instance of Thomas Hexte in a plea of detention.

Iohannes Tokerman one of the constables within the gates presents that Agnes Tukker by surety of the aforesaid Iohannes Berd is plaintiff *versus* Ricardus ? in a plea of trespass. The constable is ordered to take and bring in the same Ricardus.

Iohannes Sture by surety of Iohannes Swete and Iohannes Pycot is plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Hauken on a plea of debt. The provost is ordered to summon the same Willelmus to the next Court.

The provost is ordered to attach Iohannes Bydlake by the next Court to answer to the Lord and to his Court concerning the repairing and amending of "le Skylnyngstake" meantime to receive as bail as much wooden building material (*maeremeo*) for the purpose.

The constable without the west gate is ordered to enquire the truth if Petrus Myn drew a dagger against the peace upon Thomas Hamelyn or not. Also if the said Petrus used a cudgel upon the wife of the said Thomas and struck the same with his fist and to report to the next Court.

8th September, 1466. Tottenes. Court held (the record is almost obliterated) probably on Monday before the festival of the Holy Cross (the word *Crucis* is distinguishable).

The bailiff is in mercy (1*d.*) because he has not distrained Iohannes Bydlake to repair "le Skylnyngstole": the same says he is satisfied it is repaired.

(Doubtless the Cucking-stool. It was also called Goging-stole and in Saxon times Scealning-stole, see *Brand's Popular Antiquities.* The survival of the Saxon title in Totnes is interesting).

22nd September, 1466. Tottenes. Court of assize and of other personal actions held on Monday after the festival of St. Matthew the Apostle in the 6th Edward IV.

The bailiff in mercy (2*d.*) because he has not distrained Iohannes Bydlake to repair "le Skylvyngstole."

The provost presents that Iohannes Summaister (?) acquires from Iohannes Simon and Elizabeth his wife a mesuage with appurtenances and pays 14½*d.* relief to the Lord and does homage therefor.

Iohanna formerly the wife of Henricus Antron *per* Walterus Antron her attorney plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Northbroke, Margeria his wife and Iohannes their son in a plea (indistinct).

Total of the 32 courts in this year, 4*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*

Expended in parchment, 2*s.*

Expenses of the seneschal in 3 Courts, 17*s.* 4*d.*

1465. On the 10th June King Edward IV. accepted the Papal provision of Dr. John Bothe to the see of Exeter which had been 5½ years without a resident bishop. On the 7th July he was consecrated by Archbishop 1467. Bourchier but he was unable to visit his diocese until February 1467.

1478. 5th April he died at the episcopal residence at East Horsleigh, a manor given to the see of Exeter by King Henry I. during the episcopacy of William Warelwast. Bishop Bothe is buried there in the parochial church of S. Martin.

According to the monumental brass his name is spelt Iohannes Bowthe (*D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. i, fo. 57).

Tot. Mun. Deed, A. 1st September. 1465. Be it known etc., that we Ricardus Vaysy and Iohanna my wife have transferred to Iohannes Hakewyll of Totteneys the whole of one close of our land in Aysshwyll called Greyhyll. To have and to hold, etc., from

the festival of S. Michael the Archangel next for the term of sixty-four years. Paying us annually one grain of corn for all demands. And if it happens that the capital Lord levys distress for arrears or otherwise then they are permitted to enter upon the land and tenure in Aysshwell which Guido son of Nicholaus Luffyng and Sibilla his wife hold there for their lives and levy distress until satisfaction is made them. Clause of warranty. We the said Ricardus and Iohanna as well as the said Iohannes have appended our seals alternately.

Witnessed by: 1 Iohannes Prall; 2 Iohannes Hokemore; 3 Robertus Pytte; 4 Walterus Cosby; 5 Rogerus Cole and others. Dated 1st of September in the fifth year of King Edward IV.

Appended two small seals: bearing the letter R and a wheel of eight spokes respectively.

The Register of Bishop Iohannes Bothe commencing 24th June, 1465.

1465. 3rd October. Lord Willelmus Hyllyng chaplain admitted perpetual Vicar of the parish church of Hurberton on the free resignation of Lord Iohannes Southcote (*Reg. Bp. Iohannes Bothe*).

1466. 21st January. On the death of Lord Iohannes Rosy the last Vicar, Lord Iohannes Wyll is admitted perpetual Vicar of the parish church of St. Andrew de Tywardreyth on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreyth.

22nd February. On the death of Lord Iohannes Geffrey last Vicar, Lord Thoma Harry chaplain is admitted perpetual Vicar of the parish of St. Antonini on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreth (*ibidem*).

1467. 8th April. On the death of Lord Iohannes William last Vicar, Bishop Bothe admitted at Chuddelegh Lord Thoma Lake chaplain as perpetual Vicar of the parish church of Bury Pomeray on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Merton (*ibidem*).

20th August. On the resignation of Magister Robertus Aistogh, Lord Thoma Denys chaplain was admitted perpetual Vicar of St. Austol on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreith (*ibidem*).

20th May. On the death of Lord Iacobus Stannton, last chaplain, Bishop Bothe, at Cryditon, admitted Magister Robertus Ayscogh to the perpetual chantry of the Blessed Mary of Waischborn, on the presentation of Philippus Copleston, patron.

1468. 21st April. On the free resignation of Magister Robertus Aiscogh, last chaplain, Bishop Bothe, at his palace in Exeter, admitted Lord Ricardus

Stoyle, chaplain, to the perpetual chantry of Waisshburn. Patron, Philippus Copleston (*Reg. Bp. Iohannes Bothe*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxvii. 1468.

Be it known that we Willelmus, Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Totteneys and the Convent of the same place have given, etc., to Lord Iohannes Gardener Vicar of the parish church of Tottonia, for his good advice to us bestowed, an annual pension of twenty *solidi* to be received yearly at the four principal terms of the year in equal portions from us or our seneschal as long as the same Lord Iohannes remains Vicar of the parish church aforementioned or until the said Lord Iohannes be promoted by us or by others to another ecclesiastical benefice. We have given also to the same Lord Iohannes an honest and sufficient maintenance in our house just as the others our brethren of the Convent receive daily. And in like manner to give a gown of our livery (*togam de liberatu nostra*) when we and our successors happen to give liveries to the serving men of our abode. And if it happen that the aforesaid annual pension be in arrear for one month then the aforesaid Lord Iohannes Gardener and his assigns are licensed to levy distraint in our manor of Garston until fully paid. In witness of which thing we have appended our common seal to the present.

Dated in our chapter house of Tottonia on the third day of January, Anno Domini one thousand four hundred and sixty eight (3rd January, 1468).

No sign of tag or seal appended.

On reverse, endorsed in Latin: "that the annual payment in accordance with above was made from the first day of drawing up the same to the third day of July in the year one thousand cccc seventy eight."

(3rd July, 1478; therefore Iohannes Gardener received the above stipend for exactly ten and a half years).

"Witnessed by my own hand" (here follows a sign formed of two triangles connected by two exterior sides being prolonged at apex).

On reverse also, in English: "A grannt of an annuity of xx*s*. made by the prior to Iohann Gardener so long as he was vicar of the paryshe churche of Tottenes or till he was better promoted by the saied prior. The manor of Garston——for the payment thereof. Dated 1468."

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,257, 1468.

Monday before 25th March. William Boys and Alice his wife grant to Robert Pyttys, William Herte, Thomas Soper, Henry Robyn, James Lucas, John Noseworthy, John Gelys, William Worthy, William

Hokemor, Benedict Kent, John Tarsell and Richard Warde 1 tenement with a garden in Great Tottenes outside the east gate between the tenement in which Andrew Wody lives on the east and the tenement of the bridge of the said town (*pontis ejusdem ville*; the inference is naturally that the word "wardens" of the bridge has been omitted) on the west and the garden of Edward Austyn on the north and the High Street of the town on the south. To have and to hold, etc. Clause of warranty follows. Grantors append their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 John Pralle; 2 William Rowe; 3 John Worthy; 4 Richard Kente; 5 John William then provost of the burg of Totteneys and many others.

Dated at Totteneys on Monday before the festival of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin in the 7th year of King Edward IV.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,258, 1468.

Sunday before 23rd April. Robert Pyttys, William Herte, Thomas Soper, Henry Robyn, James Lucas, John Noseworthy, John Gelys, William Worthy, William Hokemore, Benedict Kent, John Tarsell and Richard Warde lease to William Boys and Alice his wife their tenement in Great Totteneys within the gates of the town between the tenement of Thomas Gay on the south and the tenement of the Mayor and Commonalty of the town on the north and the castle moat on the west and the high street of the said town on the east and also the tenement with garden in Totteneys outside the east gate between the tenement in which Andrew Wody lives, etc. (just as in charter 27,257, see above). To have and to hold to William Boys and Alice for their lives and the longest liver, rendering to the chief Lords rent and service due. The lessors all append their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 John Pralle; 2 William Row; 3 John Worthy; 4 Richard Kent; 5 John William provost of the said town, and others. Dated at Totteneys Sunday before the festival of St. George the Martyr in the 7th year of the reign of King Edward IV.

1468.

3rd May. On the death of Lord Iohannes Perkyns, Bishop Bothe admitted, at Clyst, Lord Ricardus Olyver, chaplain, to the parish church of Mynstre and Botreaux Castle (by proxy Robertus Burlay), on the presentation of Margareta, Lady of Hungerford and Botreaux (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*).

7th June. Bishop Bothe authorised the exchange of livings between Lord Ricardus Goodfelow, Rector of Dertyngton and Willelmus

Haverty, Master of Arts, Rector of Racheford, London. The patroness of Dertyngton being Anne, Duchess of Exeter (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxviii. 1468.

To all the faithful, etc., Iohannes Colehull knight Lord of the manor of Hewysshe greeting. Know that I have received from Willelmus Waye homage and fidelity for lands and tenements which he holds of me in Hollam for military service as from the aforesaid manor with which homage made instead I am content. In witness of which thing to this charter we have alternately affixed our seals. Dated at Benamys on the last day of October in the eighth year of the reign of King Edward III (31st October, 1468).

Appended to semi-detached strip of deed small red wax seal with impression about three-eighths of an inch in diameter; device shows a bird, gull or duck, facing sinister, with something pendant from bill. A second strip has no seal.

On reverse in English: "A letter of homage."

27th December. On the free resignation of Magister Ricardus Burlegh, Bishop Bothe admitted, at Clyst, Lord Willelmus Pickott, chaplain, as perpetual Vicar of Lodeswill, on the presentation of the Rector and Associates of the College of Slapton (*ibidem*).

1469.

3rd February. On the death of Magister Willelmus Lambton, Magister Georgius Strangweys *per* Magister Henricus Webber was admitted to the parish church of Pyworthy on the presentation of the nobleman Ricardus Earl of Warwick (*ibidem*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, Sunday after 28th October, 1469.

Be it known, etc., I Iohannes Holbeem senior "Gentelman" have quit claimed to Iohannes Colru otherwise called Cowyk senior in Great Tottenes and to his wife Iohanna all actions, etc. I have appended my seal. Dated on Sunday after the festival of the Apostles St. Simon and St. Jude in the ninth year of King Edward the fourth.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxix. 1470.

Be it known, etc., we Willelmus, Prior of the house of the church of Saint Maria of Totteneys and the Convent of the same place have transferred, etc., to Iohannes Parker and to Margeria his wife a parcel of our land in Kyngyswere between the land formerly of Iohannes Bolte on the east side and the land of the house of the Holy Trinity of Torre on the west side and the King's way there on the north side and the salt sea

of the port of Dertemouth on the south side. To have and to hold, etc., for the term of eighty years from the date of the present. Whilst paying annually to us one *denarium* at the festival of Saint Michael the Archangel and two suits at our court at Uppeton namely at the festivals of Saint Michael the Archangel and at Easter by a summons of eight days. And if it happens the said payment be in arrear for six weeks we are licensed to levy distraint in the said parcel of land. And we the aforesaid Willelmus the Prior, etc., undertake to warranty. In witness of which thing we the aforesaid Willelmus the Prior and Convent as well as the aforesaid Iohannes and Margeria have alternately appended our common seal and their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Oto Gilbert; 2 Iohannes Prall; 3 Robertus Pyttys; 4 Thoma Soper; 5 Ricardus Kent, and others.

Dated at Totteneys in our chapter house on Saturday before the festival of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin in the tenth year of King Edward the fourth (Saturday before 25th March, 1470).

Appended two parchment tags bearing red wax seals with well preserved impressions. The first, half an inch diameter, is of very crude design, the circle not being even correct; the capital J is very roughly formed. The second device seems similar in design to that attached to Deed clxv, only also more coarsely cut.

On reverse in Latin: "Kingsweare. Charter of Iohannes Parker of Peynton for a garden in Kyngiswere."

In English: "a leas made by the prior of Totton to Parker of a piece of lande."

This deed was stitched together with Deed clvii, dated 1433, see p. 367, and possibly refers to the same acre or parcel of ground.

1470. 21st June. On the free resignation of Lord Ricardus Stoyle last chaplain, Lord Henricus Blower chaplain was admitted to the perpetual chantry of the Blessed Mary of Waishborne on the presentation of Philippus Copleston true patron of the same. Lord Henricus Blower resigned the living of St. Petroc de Claneneburgh (Clannaborough).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxx. 1471. The following deed is tied to two others, clvi and clxiv (pp. 359 and 432).

Great Totteneys. Court of Law of the guardian of the lands and tenements of Iohannes son and heir of Willelmus la Zouche knight of his manor of Totteneys aforesaid held there before 1 Iohannes Byconell and

2 Stephanus Derby bailiff of the court of the manor aforesaid; 3 Iohannes Prall Mayor of the aforesaid town; 4 Fulco Fitzwary; 5 Thoma Heyte; 6 Thoma Gylle; and 7 Iohannes Holaway suitors of the court of the same manor according to the custom of the same manor from a time beyond memory on Monday before the festival of the Apostles Philipus and Iacobus in the 49th year from the commencement of the reign of King Henry the sixth and in the first year of the resumption of kingly power the following jurymen were sworn and charged on behalf of the lord King and the aforesaid guardian namely:

1 Iohannes Worthy; 2 Ricardus Kent; 3 Walterus Antron; 4 David Wellis; 5 Iohannes Cokerman; 6 Henricus Robyn; 7 Iohannes Kyng; 8 Iohannes Willelmum; 9 Iohannes Lamborne; 10 Iohannes Locke junior; 11 Iohannes Erle; 12 Andreas Wody; and 13 Robertus Gey

and among other matters present as their verdict that those water-courses proceeding and running from the spring called Harperswille in the old street (*in alto vico*) there without the west gate of the burg of Tottonia aforesaid should have a course directly to a certain spot called le Brodestone. In which place in time past was placed a broad stone between the tenement formerly of Robertus Kente and the tenement formerly of Iohannes Kyng the gaoler (*carnificer*) now the tenement of Iohannes Gybbes esquire on the south side below which certain broad stone, now removed, from ancient times the above mentioned watercourse had and hitherto ought to have its straight course and in no manner further than the land of the aforesaid Robertus Kente which he himself as long as he lived held from the Prior of the Priory of Tottonia without the aforesaid west gate. In witness of which thing the aforesaid Stephanus has appended his seal.

There is no sign of any seal or parchment tag having been attached to this deed, which is therefore probably a copy of the court record.

(Monday before 1st May, 1471).

Margaret of Anjou had recently landed (14th April) at Weymouth in Dorsetshire, and the above deed was written three days before the battle of Tewkesbury (4th May), this explains the reference to the resumption by Henry VI of the kingdom. Although at the battle of Barnet, with the death of the King-maker, the realm may be said to have passed into Edward the fourth's hands, it is evident by this deed that at Totnes the cause of the rightful King Henry VI was still cherished, and probably many men of Totnes lost their lives with Sir William Cary of Cockington at the fatal battle of Tewkesbury.

1471. 26th June. On the death of Lord Iohannes Will', Lord Iohannes Will' (obviously a mistake, see p. 468) chaplain was admitted Vicar of the parish church of St. Andrew of Tywardreith (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxi. 1471. Be it known, etc., that I Iohannes Cullyng undertake to pay, etc., to Robertus William thirty *libri* sterling of English money on the festival of Saint Thomas the Apostle next after the date of the present, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal to the present.

Dated on Monday the festival of St. Katerina the Virgin in the eleventh year of the reign of King Edward the fourth (Monday, 25th November, 1471).

The condition of the above written obligation is that if the above written Iohannes Cullyng shall have agreed to the judgment and arbitration of 1 Willelmus Rawe; 2 Willelmus Boys; 3 Robertus Boughton; 4 Thoma Holeway; 5 Walterus Antron; and 6 Ricardus Kent arbitrators between the aforementioned Iohannes and Robertus William, etc., that then the above written obligation shall be null and void.

Provided that the said judgment by the arbitrators be made before the Monday after the festival of the Conception of the Blessed Mary Virgin following the date of this writing and if the said arbitrators are unable to agree before the said Monday that then if the said Iohannes Cullyng shall have agreed to the arbitration of Willelmus Hert Mayor of Tottonia as odd one (casting vote) between the aforesaid Iohannes Cullyng and Robertus William, etc., that then the present is of no effect provided that the said arbitration be made before the festival of Saint Thomas the Apostle next.

A red seal is attached to parchment strip. The impression is not sufficiently clear to identify without some clue.

On reverse in English: "A bond for performance of an awarde."

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxii. 1472. To all etc., Frater Robertus minister of the house of Saint Robertus near Knarisburgh in the diocese of York and the minister of the house of Saint Radegund of Thelisforde diocese of Worcester elected provincial Vicar of the whole order of the Holy Trinity in England and Ireland. Moreover Frater Ricardus Tabyn minister of the house of the Holy Ghost at Warlonde of the same order near the burg of Great Tottonia in the diocese of Exeter also Willelmus, Prior of the house and church of the

Blessed Mary the Virgin and of the Convent of the same house founded and situated in Tottonia send greeting in Him who is the Life of the World, etc. Since disagreement is manifest between the aforesaid Frater Robertus and Frater Ricardus Tabyn on the one part and the Prior and Convent on the other concerning right and title, etc., to obligations annually from the aforesaid house of the Holy Spirit. It was thus agreed that the aforesaid Ricardus Tabyn minister of the modern house aforenamed of the Holy Ghost pay to the said Prior, etc., twelve *denarii* on the festival of the Annunciation and twelve *denarii* on the festival of Saint Michael the Archangel. And that if in arrears the Prior shall be licensed to levy distraint on their property in Great or in Little Tottonia, etc. In witness, etc., Frater Robertus the seal of the office of his province, Frater Ricardus the seal of the aforesaid house of the Holy Ghost, also Prior Willelmus and the Convent their common seal have alternately appended. At Tottonia on the fifth day of June 1472 in the eleventh year of the illustrious King Edward the fourth.

Appended are two parchment tags bearing fragments of monastical seals: the first is one and three-quarter inches diameter, probably the seal of Frater Robertus provincial Vicar of the order of the Holy Trinity known as Maturins, the device is a figure seated with upraised hands, to dexter is a cross, to sinister a crescent and star, the inscription around is quite obliterated: the second seal only has the dexter upper part left, was oval measuring probably one and a half inches by one and an eighth inches, the device appears to have been a central figure with canopy, an inscription encircled the device a few last words of which remain.

The Maturins (so named from their original foundation near St. Mathurine's Chapel in Paris) or Friars of the Holy Trinity owned houses at Berwick, Northumberland; Burbach, Eston or Marlborough, Wiltshire; Donnington near Newbury, Berkshire; Hounslow, Middlesex; Ingham, Norfolk; Knaresborough, York, W. R.; Modendon, Kent; Thusfield or Thuffield, Oxfordshire; Werland, Little Totnes, Devon; Walknoll near Newcastle, Northumberland; and at Worcester (the house of St. Radegund of Thelisforde diocese of Worcester mentioned above).

Founded about 1197, the order first came to England in 1244; the house at Werland was founded in 1271 (see page 179).

1473. 28th February. The exchange of livings was authorised between Magister Georgius Strangways Rector of Pyworthy and Iohannes Ioce bachelor of laws of Burton in the diocese of Worcester (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, C.
1474. May the present and future know that I Galfridus Hakewell and Iohanna my wife have given to Ricardus Warde chaplain, Walterus Cosby, Iohannes Luscombe, and Alanus Bolte all mesuages, lands and tenures, etc., in Great Totteneys. To have and to hold, etc., to them for ever, for rent and service due to the capital Lord of that fee. Clause of warranty. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Hakewell then Mayor of the aforesaid ville; 2 Walterus Antron then provost; 3 Ricardus Kent; 4 Iohannes Lamburn, and others.

Dated at Totteneys on the tenth day of April in the fourteenth year of King Edward IV.

Appended two small seals bearing the letter G and a merchant's mark respectively. The latter device a W surmounted by a bar on which stands a cross with two side curves forming mound; to right and left small letters undecipherable.

1340. 22nd November. The official of Bishop Iohannes in the church of St. Mary Major Exeter, heard a case between the parishioners of the church of Hurberton and the parishioners of the chapel of Halghewyll, concerning the support due from the latter to the mother church of Hurberton.

On behalf of the parishioners of the church came Ricardus Todeworthy and on behalf of the parishioners of the chapel Edwardus Bovy.

The parishioners of Hurberton named are: Willelmus Watta, Petrus Prior, Iohannes Gylbard, Martinus Bedyn, Ricardus Crosse, Thomas Payt, Thomas Keade, Willelmus Priour.

The parishioners of the chapel of Halghewille mentioned are: Laurencius de (blank), Ricardus de Grymston, Iohannes de Polkeston, Guydo de Byttelegh, Iohannes de Sepcomb, Stephanus Turpyn.

The parishioners of the chapel petition that they may have all rights excepting those of burial. After inspeximus of the above record.

1474. 7th May. Henricus the Dean heard the petition of the parishioners of Hurberton per Lord Robertus Smale chaplain and of the parishioners of Halghewill per Alanus Sares their representatives. With the consent of the Dean and Chapter and of Lord Willelmus Hillyng Vicar of Hurberton it was agreed that the Vicars of Hurberton should keep a chaplain at the aforesaid chapel and should hold services, etc., and perform the burial of the parishioners and the chaplain shall administer the house called "le Prysthowse" with two gardens and one pool for his dwelling and shall reside in the same for which he shall pay to the

wardens of the church 6*s.* 8*d.* annually: provided that the said inhabitants pay to the aforesaid Vicar and his successors 26*s.* 8*d.* subsidy annually and shall maintain in repair the said "Prystishowse." The Vicar to have right over the trees, etc., in the cemetery of Halghewill and other rights. (The original p. 73b ends abruptly, the folios having been bound up wrongly.)

(The petition of the parishioners of Halwill in 1340 is not recorded in the Register of Bishop John Grandisson, which suggests that much unpublished history is still to be found in the archives of the Cathedral).

1474. 24th May. At Chelchith (probably Chelsea) London, on the death of Frater Nicholaus Lynyer, Frater Ricardus Dobyns *alias* Tapyn of the order of the Holy Trinity a priest is instituted warden of the chapel of the Holy Ghost of Warlond near the ville of Totton' (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*, orig. fo. 33b, copy of certificate is entered on orig. fo. 48).

Ricardus Tabyn was already warden of Warlond on the 5th June, 1472 (see p. 474). The double entry in the Register of Bishop John Bothe, and the confusion of order in the subsequent binding of this volume of the Registers, may account for the error in the year, which should probably read 1472, unless the institution actually took place two years after Ricardus Tabyn became actual minister.

Tot. Court Roll, M46, *post* 29th Sept., 1475.

One large membrane with small supplement and assessment roll attached.

Totteneys. Court of Law of the Mayor held in the quindenna of St. Michael the Archangel in the 15th Edward IV.

Twelve jurymen for the Mayor. Ambrosius Franke, Iohannes Ielys, Willelmus Colton, Ricardus Kent, Iohannes Lock, Petrus Cary, David Danyell, Iohannes Tokerman, Iohannes Cohn, Thomas Strange, Willelmus Northbrok, Willelmus Cosen, Iohannes Taverner, Robertus Gye, Robertus Helyer, Iohannes Erle, Iacobus Lucas.

Who come and affirm all the usages liberties and customs of the Gild of Merchants of Magna Tottonia and elect to the office of:

Wardens of the church: Iohannes Tokerman and Iohannes Noseworthy.

Wardens of St. Leonard: Iohannes Erle and Willelmus Alleworthy.

Wardens of the bridge: Iohannes Swete and Iohannes Taverner.

Wardens of St. Mary Magdalene: Henricus Hauky and Iohannes Durant.

Tot. Court Roll, M46, contd.

Wardens of the chapel of St. Peter: Gilbertus Monke and Thomas Leche.

Wardens of the ships: Iohannes Tokerman and Rogerus Fursdon.

Wardens of the fisheries: Iohannes Ielys and Iohannes Erle.

Wardens of the Lechwill: Iohannes Cohn and Iohannes Noseworthy.

Wardens of Harperyswill: Willelmus Nenys and Thoma Lawry.

Wardens of Slatterwill: Iohannes Lock and Iohannes Cohn.

Wardens of the spring near the pillory: Ricardus Doke and Galfridus Hakewill.

Wardens of the spring of St. Nicholas: Robertus Gye and Ricardus Perfost.

Wardens of the spring called Brasyeteryswill (the brewer's well): Petrus Cary and Iohannes Derte.

Wardens of the swine without the east gate: Robertus Kyng and Willelmus Edmund.

Wardens of the swine within the gates: Iohannes Goveton and Willelmus Gros.

Wardens of the swine without the west gate: Walterus Stra and Iohannes Hankoc.

The whole community of the aforesaid ville elects to the office of Mayor for the coming year Robertus Boughton who is sworn;

to the office of receiver of the ville, Iohannes Holman;

to the office of serjeant (*servientis*) of the ville, Ricardus Bon.

That Henricus Mowlyssh, Symon Savery, Iacobus Baron, Willelmus Knollyng, Galfridus Hakewell, Alanus Bolt and Iohannes Kyngham enter the Gild of Merchants before the next court of Law or pay the Mayor a fine of 4*s*. for the next year up to the festival of St. Michael.

That the Mayor calls together all wardens of stores whether ecclesiastical or other to render their account and to pay arrears to the auditor of accounts, etc., before the next court.

That the Mayor should warn Elena Brown to complete the work of the church seats with all haste possible or compel her by process of law.

That the Mayor convoke the citizens to supervise the repairs of all tenements of the church.

At this court Iohannes Noseworthy and Iohannes Ielys come before the Mayor and citizens in open court and acknowledge payment to the Mayor on the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle next before the festival of the Nativity of the Lord all rents 24*s*. *per* Ricardus Martyn who for the

tenement in which he lives up to or before the said festival will be owing over the fine.

At this court Thomas Berkelegh has a day at his cost for making a new roof and roofing with oaken building timber and with stone covering to the kitchen tenement which he holds from the wardens of the bridge before the festival of St. Michael next under penalty of forfeiting his holding of the aforesaid tenement without further delay.

21st December, 1475.

Tottenes. The court of Robertus Boughton Mayor held on the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the above year.

To this court come Gilbertus Monke, 2*d.*; Stephanus Wolcombe 2*d.*; Petrus Bale, 2*d.*; Ricardus Rowe, 2*d.*; Iohannes Down, 2*d.*; Iohannes Lucas, 2*d.*; Henricus Mowlysh, nothing; Dionisius Gabyan, 4*d.*; Ricardus Parker, no entry; Simon Savery, 12*d.*; Michael Erle, 2*d.*; Thomas Gilmyn, 2*d.*; David Swete, 4*d.*; Willelmus Edmond, 4*d.*; Robertus Kyng, 2*d.*; Willelmus Morys, 2*d.*; Willelmus Englysh, 2*d.*; Thomas Hoper, nothing; Iohannes Roper, 2*d.*; Iohannes Perot, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ketlond 2*d.*; Willelmus Bella, 2*d.*; Robertus Edward, nothing; Iohannes Symon, 2*d.*; Iohannes Crocker, 6*d.*; Iohannes Hille, 2*d.*; Robertus Kelow, *pro* 2*d.* 9*d.*; Robertus Stanlegh, 4*d.*; Iohannes Chopyn, nothing recorded; Thomas Dam, 2*d.*; Willelmus Fryndship, 2*d.*; Willelmus Gros, 2*d.*; Iohannes Maleburgh, 4*d.*; Alanus Bolt, nothing; Galfridus Hakewill, nothing; Ricardus Ewan, 2*d.*; Iohannes Horne, 4*d.*; Iohannes Umfray; Willelmus Cosby (a cross is in margin opposite these names possibly signifying decease as no amount is recorded over names); Iohannes Helyer, 2*d.*; Thomas Were, 2*d.*; Matilda Umfray, 2*d.*; Iohannes Kelow, 4*d.*; Iohannes Adam, no record; Simon Tardy, 3*d.*; Iohannes Reynell tanner, 2*d.*; Thomas Bera, 4*d.*; Iohannes Durant, 12*d.*; Iohannes Laverans, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ryder, 2*d.*; Galfridus Lyell, 4*d.*; Ricardus Hamok, 2*d.*; Iohannes Hacok, Iohannes Toke, 2*d.*; Henricus Flode, 2*d.*; Iohannes Ropp, nothing; Iohannes Bera (undistinguishable); Thomas Sturt, 2*d.*; Walterus Stra, 4*d.*; Iohannes Drew, 2*d.*; Thomas Lawry, 4*d.*; Thomas Holeway, 4*d.*; Iohannes Amere, 2*d.*; the wife of Ricardus Plowman, nothing; Iohannes William, nothing.

The above pay to the Mayor fine for licence to hold, sell and buy small merchandise, which same are not of the Gild.

At this court Henricus Mowlysh is admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton' and gives to the Mayor as fine 13*s.* 4*d.* on entry. Sureties, Walterus Cosby and Iohannes Lamburn.

Tot. Court Roll, M46, contd. Tuesday after Christmas, 1475.

Totteneys. Court of Law of the Mayor held on Tuesday in the quindenna of the Nativity of the Lord in the 15th Edward IV.

Twelve for the Mayor: Walterus Antron, Iohannes Noseworthy, Iohannes Ielys, Iohannes Tokerman, David Danyell, Robertus Gye, Henricus Hawkyn, Willelmus Weke, Iohannes Taverner, Thomas Strange, Michel Savery, Iohannes Reynell, Willelmus Colton, Iohannes Derta, Iohannes Marryck junior, Iohannes Cohn, Iohannes Swete, Thomas Martyn, Iohannes Cullyng, Ricardus Doke, Willelmus Cosen.

Who come and present that the Mayor of the Commonalty on behalf of the citizens and by the council of the ville will supervise the written liberty between Totteneys and Dertemouth to the recognition whether the citizens of the ville of Totton are able to buy and sell at Dertemouth without payment of toll or not.

That henceforth the wardens of St. Mary Magdalene shall not get rid of nor distribute the charity collected for the use of the poor there unless to anyone who is an inmate of the house of the Blessed Mary aforesaid.

That the wardens of the church shall supervise the work by the poor who are remembered (*commemorantes*) in the cemetery of the church; that they should remove and uproot all weeds growing before and near the entrances of the houses so that the proceedings during Lent may be plentiful and creditable (*larga et honeste*) under penalty of expelling the said paupers from their standings (*niancionibus*). (The word *commemorantes* possibly means those who were accustomed to line the paths leading to the church soliciting alms, and as these paupers were specially remembered during the season of Lent it was thought that to earn a bountiful alms they might undertake the weeding of the town streets).

That Iohannes Noseworthy junior and Iohannes Kelow enter the Gild of Merchants of Totton or pay the Mayor 4*s*. fine.

That the Mayor of the ville does not expel any citizen from the franchise without taking counsel of the twelve of the ville summoned for that purpose, etc.

Tuesday after Easter, 1476.

Totteneys. Court of Law of the Mayor held there on Tuesday in the quindenna of Easter in the 16th Edward IV.

Twelve jurymen for the Mayor: Walterus Cosby, Iohannes Ielys, Iohannes Noseworthy, Galfridus Hakewell, Iacobus Lucas, Iohannes Lock, Willelmus Weke, Thomas Strange, Willelmus Hokemore, Iohannes Cullyng, Thomas Renow, Iohannes Tabard, Ricardus Perfost, Iohannes Swete, Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes Erle, Iohannes Mayow, Iohannes Warde.

Who come and affirm all usage, liberties and customs of the Gild of Merchants of Totton'.

They order that the wardens of the bridge, with money given in part payment by the wardens of the church, shall repair the bridge and complete the building of the house of the bridge in Bryggeton with all possible speed and also the house in which Iohannes Bery lives.

That the wardens of the church may not receive anything for the use of the hangings round the bier for the dead and for holding the obit in the parish church unless from outsiders.

That Elena Stephyn shall have a house free to live in for the rest of her life.

That the wardens of the church with the assistance of the Mayor distrain the tenement of Iohannes Wolston and of Willelmus Carswell in "Lechewille strete" on account of 2*s.* rent in arrear and their close near to Mawdeleyn Hele on account of 12*d.* rent in arrear.

That the Mayor of the ville calls Benedictus Kent to show by what means he holds the tenement of the church without the east gate in which Iohannes Benet lives.

That Iohannes Whelet shall have a share (*sharam*) of the rents of the Blessed Mary Magdalene and not from the collection of charities.

They present that Petrus Bale occupies the common land opposite the tenement in which lives together with one *odebyne* without the licence of the Mayor. Therefore he is distrained to make agreement with the Mayor.

That the Mayor warns Thomas Hoper to leave the church tenement in which he lives by the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist next.

At this court Iohannes Kyngham is admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton', etc., and gives the Mayor on entry 13*s.* 4*d.* Sureties, Iohannes Holman and Iohannes Taverner.

16th August, 1476. Totteneys. Court of the Mayor held there on the morrow of the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary in the above year.

The Mayor and whole community of the aforesaid ville elect to the office of provost for the coming year Iohannes Gybbys esquire (*armiger*).

At this court Iohannes Noseworthy junior (13*s.* 4*d.*) by surety of Ambrosius Frank and Iohannes Tokerman; and Willelmus Knollyng (13*s.* 4*d.*) by surety of Iohannes Luccombe and Iohannes Cohn junior are admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton.

Ricardus Osburne *alias* Coke citizen of the Lord (*burgens domini*) entered

the Gild of Merchants and gives the Mayor 13*s.* 4*d.* Surety, Iohannes Drake.

At this court the aforesaid Ricardus Osburne *alias* Coke gives the Mayor and community the fine of 26*s.* 8*d.* to exonerate him from the office of provost of the ville during the whole of his life. And that on account of the said fine he is quit and in commemoration of being freed annually from the said fine he pays four times a year 4*d.* namely 1*d.* to the Mayor and 3*d.* to the provost.

At this court Galfridus Hakewill (11*s.* 8*d.*) and Matheus Lange (13*s.* 4*d.*) by surety of Walterus Cosby and Henricus Robyn are admitted to the Gild of Merchants of Totton and give the Mayor as above.

21st December, 1475. Totteneys. Roll of free assessment on Thursday the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the time of Robertus Boughton Mayor in the 15th Edward IV.

Without the east gate (heading omitted but doubtless intended):

Iohannes Pulsforde, 2*d.*; Robertus William, 1*d.*; Isabella Mowlysh, ½*d.*; Nichola Swete, ½*d.*; Iohannes Swete, 3*d.*; Ricardus Bon, 1*d.*; Iohannes Prys, 1*d.*; Dionisius Martyn, 1*d.*; Thomas Martyn, 1*d.*; Willelmus Tolke junior, ½*d.*; Edwardus Austyn, 1*d.*; Cristina Uphome, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Marrick junior, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Derta, 3*d.*; Michel Savery, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Efforde, 3*d.*; Iohannes Serle, *nil*; Iohannes Toker, 3½*d.*; David Danyell, 3½*d.*; Thomas Berkelegh, 1*d.*; Nicholaus Baker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Bevery, 2*d.*; Thomas Baker, 2*d.*; Iohannes Mayow, 2½*d.*; Thomas Lech(er), 3*d.*; Elena Brown, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Marrick senior, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Dovale, 1½*d.*; Thomas Renow, 3*d.*; Galfridus Veale, 1*d.*; Walterus Cosby, 4*d.*; Iohanna Sture, 3*d.*; Iohannes Compyon senior, 1*d.*; Iohannes Pumbele, 2*d.*; Robertus Gye, 3*d.*; Iohannes Drayton, 3*d.*; Ricardus Perfost, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Kyng, senior, 2*d.*

Within the gates:

Willelmus Coke, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Cohn, 2*d.*; Thomas Strange, 3*d.*; David Wellys, 4*d.*; Willelmus Hert, 4*d.*; Iohannes Cullyng, 3*d.*; Benedictus Kent, 1*d.*; Ricardus Kent, 2½*d.*; Henricus Robyn, 4*d.*; Iohannes William, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Cosen, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Ielys, 3½*d.*; Henricus Holewill, 1*d.*; Iohanna Wheler, *nil*; Iohannes Tabard, 1½*d.*; Walterus Antron, 2*d.*; Iohanna Luccomb, 3½*d.*; Nicholaus Ienemy, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Row, 4*d.*; Willelma Pyttys, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Warde, 2*d.*; Iohannes Taverner, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Belleworthy, 2*d.*; Iacobus Broke, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Tolke, 1*d.*; Ricardus Doke, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Northbroke, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Bonnfont, *nil* because he has lost the franchise; Iohannes

Berde, 2*d.*; Willelmus Hokemore de Hemston, 4*d.*; Margeria Hokemore, 3*d.*; Willelmus Hokemore, 2*d.*; Henricus Hawkyn, 3½*d.*; Petrus Cary, 2*d.*; Iohannes Erle, 1½*d.*; Iohannes Tokerman, 4*d.*; Willelmus Fursdon, ½*d.*; Rogerus Fursdon, 3½*d.*; Galfridus Mayster, 3*d.*; Willelmus Whithed, *nil* because he has lost the franchise; Iohannes Hakewell, 3½*d.* (in margin "*obiit*'"); Iohannes Shilston, 1*d.*; Bartholomeus Fays, 1*d.*; Robertus Boughton, *nil* because he is Mayor; Willelmus Colton, 4*d.*; Iohannes Holman, 4*d.*; Ricardus Lange, 2*d.*; Thomas Waryn, 2*d.*; Iohannes atte Wille, 1*d.*

Without the west gate:

Willelmus Weke, 3*d.*; Iohannes Downyng junior, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lamburne, 2*d.*; Ambrosius Frank, 4*d.*; Iacobus Lucas, 1*d.*; Iohannes Lock junior, 3½*d.*; Iohannes Cohn senior, 3*d.*; Iohannes Compyon junior, 2½*d.*; Iohannes Noseworthy, 3½*d.*; Willelmus Nenys, 1*d.*; Elena Thomas, ½*d.*; Iohanna Bythewater, ½*d.*; Robertus Greyhod, ½*d.*; Iohannes Downe senior, 1*d.*; Iohannes Reynell, 1*d.*; Parva Totteneys, 6*d.*; Tybecomb, 3*d.*; Bowedon, 3*d.*; Brownburgh, 3*d.*

1477. 20th May. On the death of Lord Iohannes Crane, Lord Stephanus Hall chaplain was admitted to the chantry of the chapel of St. Michael within the cemetery (*semitorium*) of St. Austol on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of the house and church of St. Andree de Tywardreth the true patrons (*Reg. Bp. John Bothe*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 1477. Be it known that I Iohannes Luky *alias* Hellas formerly servant to George Densell Esquire have appointed as my attorney Thomas Densell son of the said George for recovering from Iohannes Cowkye senior of Totteneys "wever" one horse value 26*s.* 8*d.* one saddle value 6*s.* 8*d.* and one bridle value 2*s.* I have appended my seal. Dated the seventh day of July in the seventeenth year of King Edward the fourth.

Appended small seal with what appears to be a small shield bearing saltire cross with handle of sword upright.

1477. 1st December. On the death of Lord Thoma Nycoll, Bishop Bothe, at Horslegh, conferred upon Lord Ricardus William, chaplain, the perpetual vicariate of Mynestr' *alias* Manacca (*ibidem*).

1478. 15th February. On the death of Magister Thomas Chyppenham, the Bishop conferred on Magister Owein Lord, doctor of laws, the Archdeaconry of Totton' (*ibidem*).

1478. 5th September. Peter Courtenay was provided by Pope Sixtus IV to the vacant see of Exeter where he had held the office of Dean since

27th April, 1477. He was consecrated on Sunday, 8th November, 1478, in the Royal Chapel of St. Stephen's Westminster by Thomas Kempe, Bishop of London.

1487. On the 29th January Pope Innocent VIII issued a bull translating him to the see of Winchester.

1492. 22nd September (probably, according to Oliver) he died.

Tot. Mun. Deed, 1478. In the name of God, Amen: on the 12th day of September A.D. 1478. I Iohannes Coqu senior of Great Totton sound in body and mind make my will in this manner. Firstly I bequeath my soul to God and to the Blessed Mary and All the Saints, my body to be buried in the cemetery of the parish church of Totton'. I bequeath to the chaplain of St. Edmund on the bridge 4*d*.

I bequeath to the Prior of the Priory of Totton' for ten masses 6*d*. The residue, etc., I bequeath to Willelmus Lappe and Katherine his wife, my daughter, for the payment of my debts, etc.

Appended fragment of a seal about one and a quarter inches in length. No endorsement of probate, etc.

1478. 9th November. Bishop Peter Courtenay authorised the exchange of livings between Iohannes Toker, Vicar of St. Andree of Trewardreth and Iohannes Wylle, Vicar of St. Menefrede in Cornwall (*Register*).

10th November. Bishop Peter Courtenay admitted Lord Robertus Bukyngton Rector of Ayssheprynggton on the free resignation of Magister Hamo Boithe and on the presentation of Magister Iohannes Lyndon clerk and Iohannes Wyvell, the true patrons by reason of the concession of the advowson by the Prior and Convent of Totton (*ibidem*).

1479. 13th January. Inquiry held before Magister Iohannes Comber Bachelor of Laws established that the vicariate of Brodecliste was vacant by the death of Magister Iohannes Cleere who died on the 6th January. And the Prior and convent last presented to the same, and that Iohannes Wyvell is the true patron, the said Prior Willelmus, etc., having granted him the advowson under the seal of their house by deed dated 1469. The said Prior, etc., receives two portions and the Vicar the third portion of all tithes and oblations, estimated at xx*li*. That the person presented (name not mentioned) is suitable, that he is a doctor of theology and is Rector or recipient of a fourth portion of the parish church of Ermyngton, and, on the showing of Stephanus Tille, David John, Thoma Buelegh and Petrus Willyam, there is nothing legally against him (*ibidem*).

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 18. 1479.

Be it known that we Willelmus Harreys by the patience of God Prior of the house or Priory of Totton, etc., have transferred to Iohannes Tokerman of Magna Totton' and Alicia his wife one close of our land within our manor of Gerston called Coleysparke which Robertus Cole formerly held and which lies between the road coming from Totton towards Hurburnesford on the north and the road coming from Gerston towards Hurbernesford on the south. To have and to hold, etc., during the life of the said Prior William without impeachment of waste moreover in oaks and in ash trees since they are valued apart. Paying us annually twenty *denarii* sterling. Clause of distraint. We have alternately affixed our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Willelmus Hokemore senior; 2 Willelmus Hokemore junior; 3 Galfridus Hakewyll, and others.

Dated at Totton 20th April in the 19th Edward IV.

Appended a double tag from each of which a seal in red wax has been broken.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxiii. 1481.

The following is the earliest of the series written in English, and is given in extenso.

This Endenture made att Exceter witnesseth that wher(as) Water Kent of Exceter citezayn and tailleur is bound to Richard Tournoure of Exceter tailloure in xx*li.* of lafull money of Engelond. To be payed to the said Richarde or to his Executoris att the fest of Seynt Michele the Archangell next comyng after this present date as in an Obligacion of Statute of the Staple therupon made knowleched before John Orange mayre of the Staple of the citee of Exceter William Obley Richard Bonewyll constables of the same Staple the 4th daye of Aprile the
1480. Reigne of Kyng Edward the 4th the xxth fulli apperith and conteyneth. That notwithstonding the sayde Richard Tournoure will and grannteth bi this present writing. That if the said Water Kent without ony contradiction and vexacion suffre the said Richard Tournoure peaseably too occupye and to have the Revenewis and Rentis in fee sympell with the termys of a gardon lyeng on the est syde of the said 11 tenements in grete Totteneis hoolden of the Pryour of Totteneis as it aperith by a dede of the said Water made to the said Richard bering date the xviith day of
1481. Februar the Reigne of Kyng Edward the 4th the xxth. And not to be interupte bi hym nor noon other in his name. And ever that the said Richard woll' and grannt that if the said Water or his Asseignes come

within the space of x yeere. And pay or doo to be payed to the said Richard or to his Asseignes xv*li*'. of lafull money of Engeland. And also to paye all soch costis and expensis as the said Richard doith upon the said tenements and gardon aforesaid in the mean tyme. That than the said Richard to make hym a lafull estate. And to delyver all such Evydencis pretending to the same land As he Ressevyd of the said Water And this doon and fulfilled. That than the foresaid Obligacion off xx*li*. stond . . . be hadd for noight and els to stond in his strength and vertu. In wittynes wherof The Parteis aforesaid to these Endentures alternatly have putte ther Sealys. Geven the xviiith day off Februar The Yeare of the Reigne of Kyng Edward the 4th the xxth (18th February, 1481).

On reverse in English: "For 11 gardens in Totton."

Appended parchment tag with part of seal; the impression is only half an inch diameter and shows what is probably an old English capital letter **A**.

Tot. Mun. Deed, B. 1483.

May the present and future know that I Iohannes Tassell have given to Galfridus Hakewill all my lands and tenements, etc., in Galmeton Clifton Dertmouth Hardenes Brixam and elsewhere in Devon. To have and to hold, etc., by rents and services due to the capital Lords of those fees. Clause of warranty.

Moreover be it known to the aforesaid Iohannes Tassell that I have appointed as my attorneys Willelmus Huckemore junior and Martinus Groos, etc. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus Cosby then Mayor of the ville of Totton'; 2 Robertus Whytyng knight; 3 Willelmus Hert; 4 Iohannes Appelton; 5 Willelmus Huckemore senior; 6 Roggerus Fursdon; 7 Petrus Skreche; 8 Willelmus Whytehed then provost of the aforesaid ville; and 9 Willelmus Edmond, and others.

Dated at Totton' the 26th day of October in the first year of King Richard III.

Appended tag from which seal has been broken.

Mon. Dioc. Exon. A. S., fo. 20.

In the first year of King Henry VII (1485-6) Sir Richard Edgecombe, knt. received the castle, manor or domain of Totnes, the manor of Cornworthy and the manor and lands late of John le Zouche in Huisshe, Lodeswille and Northmolton, forfeited from the said John Lord le Zouche.

1487. Mon. Dioc. Exon. A.S., fo. 239.

16th February. Thomas Cater collector for Tywardreth Priory in Cornwall, waited on Prior William Harry for the customary annual pension of 8 *solidi* due from the Priory of Tottonia arising from "two partes of the tythes coming and growing of the lond of Wodehiwisse, in the parishe of Brixam," and received answer from Prior William Harry: "I am to blame that my ffader, the priour of Tywardreth, is behinde unpaid a year or two of his pension; the cause is I have had and yet have such grete costs and charges and yet I maye not paye him but ye may telle the fader priour that shortely I shall paye him bothe the pension and the arrearages."

Dr. Oliver does not state whence he extracted this record of the usual debtor's excuse.

1487. 2nd April. Richard Fox received from King Henry VII the temporalities of the vacant see of Exeter and shortly after was consecrated.

1492. 8th February he was translated to Bath and Wells. Hoker says he was chosen by the King to stand godfather to his second son and successor King Henry VIII.

1501. 1st October he was again translated to Winchester Cathedral.

1528. 5th October he died after ruling Winchester twenty-seven years.

During the less than five years of his episcopacy of Exeter there seems to be no record (Oliver) that he was ever in the diocese.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,259. 1487.

12th May. John Roper grants to Geoffrey Hakewill, William Hokemor, John Cohn, Henry Duy, John Holman junior, John Balle, Geoffrey Mayster, John Jelys, and Robert Legge, a tenement and garden in Great Totteneys outside the east gate on the south side of the High street between the tenement of John Shylston on the east and the tenement of John Suddon on the west and "bastewallys" on the south. To have and to hold, etc. Clause of warranty follows. The grantor appends his seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Walter Cosby; 2 John Kelow; 3 William Worthy then provost of the town and others. Dated at Great Totteneys 12th May in the second year of King Henry VII.

1487. 12th July. Magister Jacobus Babbe Master of Arts admitted to church of Ayshpryngton on the death of Lord Robertus Bukyngton last Rector. Patron Sir Iohannes Trevilion junior by reason of the concession of the Prior and Convent of Totton' made to the said Iohannes Trevilion (*Reg. Bp. Richard Fox*, orig. fo. 97).

1488. 23rd February. Nicholaus Morton chaplain admitted to the church of St. Metheriana the Virgin of Mynster on the resignation of Magister

Edwardus Wyllughby late Rector. Patron Lord —— of Hastyngs, Hungerford and Botreaux (*Reg. Bp. Richard Fox*).

1490. 2nd September. Commission to Magister Thoma Cobald Master of Arts to enquire as to the patronage of the perpetual chantry of Wayshborn to which Magister Jacobus Babbe Master of Arts is presented by Sir Radulphus Copleston, and on the 16th November Magister Thoma certified as follows that an inquisition had been held before the discreet men Magister Willelmus Hale de Bukfastlegh, Lord Iohannes Belworthy de Totton, Iohannes Hyll de Rattre and Iohannes Cole de Denprior, Vicars of the said parish churches and Ricardus Ward chaplain of the perpetual chantry upon the bridge of Totton' who say that Lord Henricus Blower died on the 7th or 8th day of March last and that the Patron is Sir Radulphus Copleston by inheritance from his father or grandfather, and there is no objection lodged by the Rectors of Aysprynngton or Wodelegh (*ibidem*).

PRIOR WILLELMUS COKE.

1491. 15th February. Lord Willelmus Coke, monk of the Priory of Totton', admitted to the Priory of St. Benedict of Totton' on the death of Lord Willelmus Harry. Patron, the King Henry, by reason that Petrus Eggecomb son and heir of Ricardus Eggecomb deceased (who held on the day he died *in capite* by military service) is under age. Mandate issued to the Archdeacon of Totton for his induction (*ibidem*).

26th March. Magister Edmundus Chaterton is collated to the Archdeaconry of Totton. Mandate for his induction addressed to the Dean (*ibidem*).

15th April. Inquiry ordered into the right of patronage to the parish church of Bryxham, to which Lord Iohannes Noseworthy, chaplain, is nominated by the Prior and Convent of Totton'. Inquiry is held before Master Thoma Appulford de Peyngton, Lords Willelmus Bocher Rector of Hempston Parva, Iohannes Moryshede of Hempston Magna, Iohannes Rastall of Stoke Gabrielis and Ricardus Balcull of Carswill Abbatis, Vicars of the aforesaid parish churches, who say that Magister Willelmus Elyot, the last Vicar, resigned on the 6th April by proxy, Magister Thoma Elyot in his place, and that the true patrons are the Prior and Convent of Totton (by permission of *recolente memorie*) King Edward IV. And that the said parish church pays the said Priory 16*s.* 8*d.* sterling annually except in that year when the incumbent shall be Rural Dean. And is taxed for

royal tithe in 12*s*. And the Rector of the parish church of Depeforde has no objection, neither is there any, etc., etc. (*Reg. Bp. Richard Fox*).

1491. 7th May. Lord Iohannes Noseworthy, chaplain, admitted perpetual Vicar of the parish church of Brixham, on the free resignation of Magister Willelmus Elyot. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of the Priory of Totton' (*ibidem*).

An annual pension (for which a blank space is left in the Register) is assigned to Willelmus Elyot so long as he lived.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxiv. 1491. Be it known, etc., I Thoma Pomerey of Bowdon in the county of Devon esquire undertake to pay to Willelmus the Prior of the house or priory of Tottenesse one hundred *libri* of legal money of England to be paid to the Prior and Convent on the festival of Saint Andrew the Apostle next after the date of the present to the payment of which debt I oblige myself heirs and executors by the present sealed by my seal.

Dated the nineteenth day of the month of October in the seventh year of the reign of King Henry the seventh (19th October, 1491).

On reverse in English: "An obligacion wherin Thomas Pomeroye of Bowndon standeth bownde to William Prior stand to the awarde of the Bishope of Exon for al maner of ma . . . pate(n)t."

The condition of the above written obligation is such that the above mentioned Thomas shall submit to the arbitration of Lord Ricardus bishop of Exeter, etc., etc. (signed) Ploseld. (Richard Fox installed 2nd April, 1487, translated to Bath and Wells, 1492; this deed, must have been written, therefore, at the close of his occupation of the see of Exeter).

Affixed to parchment slip cut from deed a small red seal enclosing grass fibre evidently intended to form a key to which wax would adhere; the impression is quite undecipherable.

1494. Thomas Pomerey occurs in *Inquisitions post mortem*, C, Ser. ii, Vol. 9, 61; E, Ser. ii, File 144, 3, 9 Henry VII.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxv. 1491. XVII day of November in the vii year Henry VII (17th November, 1491).

Lord Willelmus Prior of Totneys in the county of Devon and Thomas Pomerey esquire of the same county has each recognised that he owes to the Lord King 100 *libri* to be paid on the festival of Easter next after the date of the present unless they each of them submit to the arbitration of the reverend father Lord Ricardus Bishop of Exeter and unless they

present themselves before the said reverend father on the eve of Saint Hillary.

On reverse in English: "An obligation of William prior of Tottenes and Sir Thomas Pomeroye wherin they stande bond in an C *libri* . . . that the bishope of Exeter shal due all matters betwen them they to stand."

In Latin: "Recognised by the Lord King Henry the seventh the 17th day of November in the 7th year between Lord Willelmus Cooke prior of Tottonia and Thomas Pomeroy esquire."

No seal has been attached, the deed being evidently only a memorandum.

1491. 20th November. 'Magister Jacobus Babbe Master of Arts is admitted to the perpetual chantry of Wayshburn within the parish of Hurberton on the death of Lord Henricus Blower last chaplain. Patron Sir Radulphus Copleston. Mandate to the Archdeacon of Totton for induction (*Reg. Bp. Richard Fox*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, Saturday before 30th November, 1491.

Be it known, etc., I Willelmus Lappe in the parish of Ugburro have quit claimed to Henricus Lappe my son and Margeria his wife all my standing and term of tenure in Great Totton' situated there on the east side of the way leading from Totton' towards "la Warlond" which formerly I had by will of Iohannes Colyn of Dawlyshe taylor. So that neither I nor my heirs can have any right in the same for thirty years. I have appended my seal.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Holman senior; 2 Iohannes Swete; 3 Iohannes Toker; 4 Ricardus Muys; 5 Iohannes Hore, and others.

Dated at Totton' on Saturday before the festival of St. Andrew the Apostle in the seventh year of King Henry VII.

Appended tag but no sign of seal.

1491. 1st October. Oliver King, a native of London, was provided by Pope Alexander VI to the vacant see of Exeter and he was consecrated in
1492. February at Lambeth by Archbishop Morton.

1495. 6th November he succeeded Bishop Fox at Bath and Wells.

1503. 29th August he died.

There is again no record in his register that he visited his diocese of Exeter (Oliver).

1492. 29th April. The will of Sir Richard Edgecombe was proved (*Mon. Dioc. Exon. A.S.*, fo. 20).

1493. 5th January. In his residence (*hospicio suo*) at Horsley (*Winton' dioc.*) Bishop Oliver King admitted Magister Ricardus Nykke Doctor of Law to be perpetual Vicar of Stokenham, on the free resignation of Magister Willelmus Bell (*Reg. Bp. Oliver King*).

1495. 14th May. Lord Iohannes Bellworthy is admitted Vicar of Totton' vacant by (a blank space is left in the register). Nominated by the Prior and Convent of Totton' (*ibidem*).

3rd August. Lord Ricardus Higowe is admitted to the perpetual chantry of the chapel of St. Michael the Archangel within the cemetery of St. Austoli, on the free resignation of Lord Radulphus Edward the last chaplain. To which he is nominated by the Prior and Convent of the Priory of Tiwardreth, and subsequently Lord Radulphus Edward is assigned a pension of 46*s.* 8*d.* annually for the rest of his life.

Tot. Mun. Deed, 1495. This indenture made at Totton on the 1st September in the eleventh year of the reign of Henry the seventh between Iohannes Holman junior and Alicia his wife of the one part and Willelmus Gilbert and Iohannes Toker wardens of the bridge of Totton of the other part witnesses that the aforesaid Iohannes and Alicia have transferred the licence and easement of the east wall of their house in which they live for the whole length of 22 feet for the annual payment of 2*d.* at Easter. Against which wall the said wardens will place a wooden gutter and in the same wooden gutter a leaden one for conveying the rain water from the house to the High-street of Totton without damaging the said wall. And the said wardens will maintain the said gutters in repair. Clause of distraint. The seals of the parties are alternately appended.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Ieles then Mayor of Totton; 2 Willelmus Huckemore; 3 Iohannes Holman senior; 4 Ricardus Pelyngton then provost; 5 Robertus Legge, and many others.

On reverse in English: "The counter part of a Lycence grannted by John Holman and Alice his wife to the wardens of the Bridge to buyld and fixe Tymber uppon the wall of there Tenement. The Bridge."

Appended a tag from which seal has been broken.

In Mr. E. Windeatt's list John Giles occurs Mayor in 1491, and again in 1518, whereas in 1495 William Crosby is given as Mayor. William Crosby was Mayor previously in 1478-79 and in 1483-84, but does not occur after 1495. The inference is that he died during his term of office,

and that John Giles a former Mayor took his place for the remainder of the year.

1495. 24th September. Pope Alexander VI translated Richard Redmayne from the bishopric of St. Asaph to that of Exeter.

1501. 26th September he was again translated to Ely.

1505. 24th August he died at his palace in Holborn, London.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,260. 1496. 12th March. John Toker and Lucas Savery wardens of the bridge of Great Tottones lease with the assent of the Mayor and Commonalty of Tottones, to Thomas More and Margery his wife a tenement and garden in Tottones outside the east gate between the tenement of John Holman junior and Alice his wife on the west and the tenement of the church of St. Mary of Tottones and the bridge there in the part in which Thomas Hempston now dwells on the east. To have and to hold, etc., for sixty years. Rendering therefor to the said wardens and their successors 13*s.* 4*d.* annually and to the chief lords all other rents and services due. The lessees to do repairs. Clause for distraint follows. The wardens append their seals, likewise the Mayor and Commonalty of Tottoneys and Thomas and Margery.

Witnessed by:

1 William Colton then Mayor of Tottones; 2 William Huckemore; 3 John Swete then receiver there; 4 John Benery; 5 Robert Legge, and many others.

Dated 12th May in the 11th year of the reign of King Henry VII.

Tot. Mun Deed, 1497. Be it known that I Iohannes Holman junior of Great Totton' "marchannt" have received from Willelmus Lapp and Ricardus Bynforth 20 *solidi* sterling in payment for the making, execution and acquitting of the said Willelmus Lapp and Ricardus Bynforth as well as the heirs of Iohannes Cohne senior in the matter of certain lands and tenements inherited according to the custom of the burg of Totton to Iohannes Cohne son of the aforesaid Iohannes Cohne and to two daughters, Katerina married to the aforesaid Willelmus Lapp and Wilmot married to the aforesaid Ricardus Bynforth coheirs and sisters of the aforementioned Iohannes. Whereby the same Willelmus Lapp and Katerina his wife acquired the right to the share of the aforesaid Iohannes Cohne the brother, etc. And whereby the same Willelmus Lapp was elected to the office of provost by reason of the conviction by law of the possession of

the aforesaid property. By the present all are quit of the payment of 40 *solidi* made to me. I have appended my seal and at my special request and desire the seal of the office of Mayor of Totton' is appended to the present.

Dated the tenth day of January in the twelfth year of the reign of King Henry VII.

On reverse: "The Mannor and Borough. By this deed it appeareth that all the land within this Towne doth discend to both heires male and female."

The strip cut from bottom of parchment to which the seals were appended has been torn off.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxvi. 1497.

This endenture made witnesseth that we William Coke priour of the howse and churche of our blessed lady of Grete Tottenes and the Covent of the same have geve and grannted and bi this present our deed indented have confermed to Margaret Piperell of Pynneford wedow all our cours of water rennynge through yn and by our lordeshuppe and maner of Torcombe to have to turne to convey and to occupie the said course of rennynge water all seriall daies to the milles of the said Margaret called Cattechurche milles and also to a medow of the said Margaret called Cattechurche medow for terme of her lif yeldinge thereof yerly for the said cours of runnynge water so to be turned conveyed and occupied all seriall daies as is foresaid to the said milles and medow to us the forsaid William Coke Prior and Covent and to our successours 11*d.* sterlinge to be paied in the fest of the Nativite of Saynt John the Baptist for all maner services actions and demannds duringe the lif of the said Margaret and after the deces of the said Margaret we the forsaid William Coke Priour and Covent wille and by thes presentes grannteth that the forsaid cours water shall remaigne to William Piperell son and heire of Robert Piperell and the forsaid Margaret and to his heires for ever more all seriall daies as is forsaid to the forsaid milles and medow so that the said cours of rennynge water may and shall resorte come serve and falle fron the forsaid Cattechurche milles and medow to the mille called Bowe mille ours the forsaid William Coke Prior and Covent and our successours without any stoppinge yngyn or gaste or anywise lettinge or turnynge of the said Margaret in her lif or any other for her. And after her deces in like wise of the said William Peperell and his heires or any other for them or in ther names yeldynge therof yerely for the said cours of water so rennynge to us the forsaid William Coke Priour and Covent and to our successours

11*d.* sterlinge to be paied in the feste of the Nat' of Saynt John the Baptiste for all maner actions services and demannds. And if it happen the said rent of 11*d.* to be bihynde in part or in all as well in the lif of the said Margaret Piperell as afterward in the life of the said William and his heires that then the said Margaret grannteth by thes presents during her lif. And afterwards the said William Peperell grannteth for hym and his heires for ever more that it shal be lefull to the forsaid William Coke Prior and Covent and ther Successours into the said milles and medow to entre and to distreyne and the distres so ther taken to retayn till the forsaid rent so beinge bihynd with the arrerage of ye same fully and holy to the forsaid William Coke Prior and Covent or ther succ' be satisfied and paied provided alway that we the forsaid William Coke Prior and Covent our successours and tenants shal have shal torne convey and occupie the foresaid rennynge water in through and uppon our grond and medows of Torcombe accordinge to the old cours and costom of olde tyme ther used all festivall daies for evermore without any impediment or lettinge of the said Margaret duringe her lif and afterwards of the said William Peperell and his heires or any others in their name or names their grant forsaid in no wise withstandinge and we forsothe the forsaid William Coke Prior and Covent and our succ' the forsaid cours of water in maner and forme aforesaid except bifore excepte to the forsaid Margaret Peperell and William in maner and forme aforehersed agenst all people shal warannt acquitte and defende for ever bi thees presentes. In wittenes wherof to the on partie of thes present endentures the forsaid prior and covent have sette ther seall and to the other partie of thes endentures the said Margaret and William Peperell have sette ther sealls wittenessinge.

1 John Holman then maior of Tottenes; 2 William Huckemore; 3 John Jelys; 4 Jeffray Hakewell; 5 Robert Legge, and many others.

Gven at Tottenes forsaid in oure Chapeter howse the Xth day of Marche the ere of the Reigne of oure Soveraigne lorde Kinge Harry the VII the XIIth (10th March, 1497).

Appended one broad parchment tag, partly divided up centre forming two carriers, to each of which is appended a well preserved red wax seal. The impression of the first is about half an inch square, showing capital letter T. The second impression is a shield about same size as first seal, per fesse, in chief three circles, below a frette.

On reverse in English: "In Dentura Margaret Pyperell as . . . a water course to Cattechurche mills and meadowe."

The seals are probably those of Margaret and William son of Robert Piperell or Peperell, as recorded in the deed.

Pensford, Painsford or Pynesford and anciently Pantisfort, is one mile west from Ashprington church, a manor anciently held by the Peperell and Halwell families.

1421. Richard Piperell armiger, occurs *Inquisitions post mortem*, C 97, 8 Hen. V.

1497. 19th May. Inquiry concerning the patronage of the church of Stokynham to which Lord Willelmus Greve, Prior of the house of Buttelisham, presents per Radulphus Hethcott Archdeacon of Totton and Willelmus Sandes, gentleman (*Reg. Bp. Richard Redmayn*).

1498. 2nd June. At his Palace at Exeter, Bishop Redmayn, on the free resignation of Magister Robertus Pycchard, Bachelor of Holy Theology, admitted Lord Willelmus Greve, Prior of the house or priory of Butelsham Montagu of the order of S. Augustine of the diocese of Salisbury, to be perpetual Vicar of Stokynham to which by Radulphus Hethcote Venerable Archdeacon of Totton and Willelmus Saunder, gentleman, vice patrons, he is presented (*ibidem*).

1498. 1st December. On the death of Lord Thoma Harry, last Vicar, Lord Iohannes Cok, chaplain, is admitted perpetual Vicar of the parish church of St. Antonini near Manak, on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreth (*ibidem*).

PRIOR JOHN REDMAYN.

Dugdale states that *Thomas* Redman, monk of Westminster is mentioned as Prior in 1499 (*MS. Cole, Brit. Mus.*, Vol. xl, p. 86).

There appears to be no confirmation or record of the installation of this Prior in the Register of Bishop Richard Redmayn of Exeter (1496-1501), but there can be little doubt that if not a brother, he must have been some relation of the Bishop, who was, however, previous to his elevation to the see of St. Asaph, Premonstratensian Abbat of Shap, in Westmoreland, and therefore not of the same order as the Benedictines of Westminster or Totnes.

In the agreement of 1501 (*Tot. Pr. Deed*, clxxvii) the reference to "the contention having arisen long ago" must be rather to the Priory as a party, rather than to Prior Iohannes Redmayn. The last mention of his predecessor, Prior Willelmus Coke is on the 10th March, 1497.

If his appointment was due to his namesake the Bishop, it would be subsequent to January, 1496, when Richard Redmayn was translated from the Bishopric of St. Asaph to Exeter.

1500. 15th March. Magister Iohannes Fulford is collated Archdeacon of Totton' vacant by the death of Magister Radulphus Hethcott.

2nd November. Magister Robertus Welby, clerk, is admitted to the parish church of S. Mary of Dertyngton on the death of (blank space in register) the last Rector on the presentation of Lady Margareta Countess Regemond et Derbie and mother of the illustrious KingHenry VII.

B. M. Add. MSS. No. 27,261, 1500. 30th November. William Johns of Great Tottenes gentleman grants to Master Thomas Cobbehall clerk Vicar of Staverton Thomas Perquyne, Martin Groos and Robert Legge, all his mesuages ,lands, tenements, rents, reversions and services in Great Tottones and Dertyngton which late belonged to William Spicer deceased and all his mesuages etc., etc., in Merlegh in the parish of Rattrew and all his mesuages etc., etc., in Northeford in the parish of Dertyngton which formerly belonged to Henry Drake and all his mesuages, etc., etc., in Aissherugge in the parish of Herberton and in the manor of Dertyngton and elsewhere in co. Devon.

To have and to hold to them, etc., to fulfill his will. To hold of the chief lords by the rent and services due therefor. Clause of warranty follows. He constitutes John Jeles junior his attorney to enter upon the premises in his name to take possession and make delivery of the premises to the grantees. The grantor appends his seal.

Witnessed by:

1 William Hokemore; 2 Geoffrey Hakewell; 3 John Jeles senior; 4 John Benery; 5 John Vere then deputy of Nicholas Corneles provost there, and many others. Dated 30th November in the 16th year of King Henry VII.

1501. 15th June. On the death of Magister Robertus Welby, Magister Edmund Willisford, Professor of Sacred Theology, is admitted to the parish church of Dertyngton. Patroness, the Lady Margareta, Countess of Regchimond and Derbie and mother of King Henry VII (*Reg. Bp. Richard Redmayn*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxvii. 1501. To all the sons of mother church, etc., Ricardus bishop of Exeter greeting, etc. We make known by the present that the matter of contention arisen long ago between Iohannes Redmayn Prior of the Priory of the monks of Tottonia and of the Convent of the order of Saint Benedict of the same place on the one part and the Lady Thomasina Prioress of the nuns of the Priory of Corneworthy and the Convent of the order of Saint Augustine of the same place on the other part, of our diocese, concerning a certain annual pension of xxvi *solidi* which the said Prior by

reason of certain agreements concerning certain tithes within the bounds of the parish churches of Clauton and Corneworthy claimed from the Prioress and Convent of Corneworthy: the aforesaid parties are agreed as follows, that the Lady Thomasina Prioress, etc., shall have all tithes within the bounds of the parish churches of Corneworthy and Clauton except the tithes of a certain mill together with the uses and customs in the fishery within the parish of Corneworthy which tithes and uses the aforesaid Prior, etc., are accustomed to have of old. And the aforesaid Lady Thomosina, etc., pays to the aforesaid Iohannes Redmayne, etc., a certain annual pension of XIII*s*. at two terms namely at the Purification of the Blessed Mary VI*s*. VI*d*., and on the festival of Saint Peter called "in chains" another VI*s*. and VI*d*.

If the said pension for two months remains unpaid the Prioress, etc., shall pay a fine of XL*d*. and VI*s*. VIII*d*. for every month over due.

Whilst the aforesaid Iohannes Redmayn Prior, etc., made a certain relaxation of their title in these words.

We Iohannes Redmayn Prior, etc., in our chapter house assembled remit by these presents all right, etc., to the tithes within the bounds of the parishes of Clauton and Corneworthy and the pension of XXVI*s*. which we have claimed from the aforesaid Prioress, etc., and we cannot claim other than a pension of XIII*s*., etc., etc.

In faith and witness of all which we as well as the parties aforesaid have appended our seals. Dated at Exonia in our palace under our seal the XV day of the month of June Anno Domini 1501. And of our translation the sixth.

(15th June, 1501. Bishop Richard Redmayn was translated from St. Asaph to Exeter 7th January 1496 and hence to Ely in September 1501. The above agreement was accomplished therefore only three months before he left the bishopric. He was Visitor-General of the Premonstratensian Order in this country for the long period of 37 years).

And we Thomasina Dynham Prioress, etc., in our chapter house assembled, etc., have unanimously granted the above agreement between us and the aforesaid Iohannes Redmayn, etc., etc.

In witness of which we have appended our seal. Dated in our chapter house XXVIII day of August Anno Domini 1501 and in the sixth year of the translation of the reverend father (28 August 1501).

(Prioress Thomasina Dynham resigned her office late in the year 1519 *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 236).

And we Iohannes Redmayn Prior, etc., in our chapter house asssembled, etc., undertake to abide by the tenor of these presents. In witness of which we have appended our conventual seal. Dated in our chapter house XXVIII day of August Anno Domini 1501.

This parchment measures twenty-four inches wide, and is the deed mentioned in Oliver's *Monasticon*, fo. 240, as being set forth in full in *Bishop Redmayne's Register*, fo. 35-36.

Appended are three parchment tags with fairly well preserved seals.

The first, oval, about three and a half inches by two and a quarter inches, is the seal of Richard Redmayne, Bishop of Exeter, as depicted in Oliver's *Bishops and Cathedral of Exeter*, No. 13.

The second, small oval, one and three-quarter inches by one and a quarter inches, the seal of Cornworthy Priory, is rather a bad impression and depicts what is probably intended to be a gate-house surmounted by a belfry or superstructure of five uprights with crocketted points at each end.

The third impression has been a very good one, but unfortunately has lost the lower part. It is oval, about three and a quarter inches by two inches, and is the same as the imperfect drawing in Oliver's *Monasticon*; represents a female figure seated, holding up a rod in the right hand, in the left, a book. In front, to dexter, stands a girl receiving instruction; the background is a network, and the whole under a canopy with central dome. The inscription reads S. PRIORIS. ET. CONVENTUS. SANCTE. MARIE. DE. TOTONIA.

1502. 29th June. John Arundell, third son of Sir Rainford Arundell, of Lanhern near St. Columb Major, Cornwall, and Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry at the time, was translated to the see of Exeter.

1504. 15th March he died at Exeter House, London.

1502-3. The county was visited by pestilence. Exeter had to elect three Mayors in this year, Robert Newton and John Danester both succumbing to the plague while holding the office of Mayor. It was this epidemic which caused the death of Arthur, eldest son of Henry VII.

1502. 14th August. Lord Iohannes Byrde, chaplain, is admitted to the perpetual chantry or free chapel of St. Mary of Washborne within the parish of Hurberton on the free resignation of Magister Iacobus Adam, Bachelor in Law, on the presentation of Sir Iohannes Copelston, to continually reside and personally administer according to the ordination of the said foundation (*Reg. Bp. John Arundell*).

1502. 13th September. At Chudleigh. Commission of enquiry held re patronage by Sir Iohannes Copleston, who presented Lord Iohannes Byrd, chaplain, to the perpetual chantry of Waishborn in and within the parish of Hurberton (*Reg. Bp. John Arundell*).

18th December. Magister Nicholaus Page is admitted perpetual Vicar of Stokynham (*ibidem*).

1503. 16th February. Summons to convocation of clergy, in the schedule attached occur: Magister . . . Folford, Archdeacon of Totton' and Frater Thomas, Abbat of Torre. Eight Abbts: Tavystoke, Hartlond, Torre, Bockfaste, Bohclond, Ford, Dunkyswill, Nemicham. Five Priors: Plympton, St. German, Bodmin, Launceston, St. Nicholaus Exeter.

Totnes Priory is not included.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,262, 1503. 22nd March. To all, etc., William Obley citizen and merchant of Exeter and Joan his wife late the wife of Nicholas Jenemy greeting. Whereas lately John Lamborn and John Noseworthy wardens of the parish church of St. Mary of Great Tottenys by an Indenture have granted to me the aforesaid Joan and to Nicholas Jenemy a tenement with garden, stall, closes and interior and exterior appurtenances in Great Tottenys within the gates there between the tenement in which John Taverner now dwells on the east and the tenement of John William on the west and the High-street of the town on the north and "lebastewall" on the south. To have and to hold to the said Joan and Nicholas for the term of their lives and to the longer liver with remainder to their executors for a term of 60 years, rendering therefor to the wardens and their successors annually 40 *solidi* and to the Lord of Tottonys his heirs and assigns annually two *denarii* by name of Easter rent (*Ester gabil*) during the said term as in the Indenture dated 18th November in the 2nd King Richard III (1484) appears.

Know that we William Obley and Joan have granted to John Belleworthy clerk, William Johns, William Hokemore, Geoffrey Hakewyll, Robert Legge, John Benere, Thomas Carswyll and Martin Groos the said tenement and the estate and term we have therein. To have and to hold to them their executors and assigns for the said term. Rendering and doing yearly to the wardens and their successors and to the Lord of Tottonys the above specified rents and services and rendering therefor yearly to us William and Joan and our assigns during our lives and to the longer liver 20 *solidi* with remainder after our deaths to William Elford and John Syrret wardens of the said parish church of Tottenys and their

successors to fulfil the will of me Joan as is fully contained in the missal book there. With clause of distraint for the said rent of 20*s.* The grantors have appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Walter Cosby; 2 John Jelys; 3 William Baker; 4 John Holman; 5 John Bydlake, and many others. Dated 22nd March in the 18th year of the reign of King Henry VII.

PRIOR ROBERT HYLL.

1503. 25th April. Robert Hyll, monk of the order of St. Benedict of the Abbey of Tavystok is admitted to the Priory of St. Mary of Totton, on the free resignation of Lord Iohannes Redmayne. Presented by Sir Petrus Eggecomb, patron of the said Priory. Mandate issued to the Archdeacon of Totton for his induction (*Reg. Bp. John Arundell*).

.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,263, 1503. 1st July. Martin Groos andRobert Legge lease to William Hokemore, Geoffrey Hakewell, John Holman, John Jeles, Richard Peleton, William Cosby, Roger Fursdon, John Cosen, John Swete and Robert Colton an annual rent of 6*s.* 8*d.* issuing out of 2 tenements with 2 gardens and 1 close of land in Great Tottonys outside the east gate of which 1 tenement and garden is between the lawful road leading from the east gate beneath the walls of the town towards the west gate and the garden of the heirs of Forde on the south, and the tenement and garden lately held by John Issell on the east side and the High-street of the town on the north side and in which same tenement with garden Simon Savery now dwells and holds; and the other tenement and garden is between the tenement of the bridge of Totteneys on the west and the garden of the said bridge on the south, and the tenement of Benedict Kent on the east and the High-street of the town on the north, which tenement John Gye now holds for a term of years. And the said close of land lies between the malt mill on the north and the lawful road leading from the malt mill towards Tottonys on the east side and the close of land of Thomas Gresy (possibly Eresy), Robert Colton and Lord Fitz-Waren on the south and west sides. Which said two tenements with their gardens and 1 close we lately had, together with Master Thomas Cobbehall clerk Vicar of Staverton and Thomas Perquyne now deceased by enfeofment from William Johns. To have, hold, levy and enjoy the said annual rent of 6*s.* 8*d.* to the said William Hokemore and others their heirs and assigns for ever.

To pay for the support of a suitable priest to celebrate divine service before the image of St. Mary of pity (*pietatis*, Notre Dame de Pitié) there in the parish church of St. Mary in Tottonys for the soul of William Johns one of the founders of the mass of St. Mary of pity there for ever and for the souls of Margaret mother of King Henry VII and the parents, brothers, sisters, friends and benefactors of the said William Johns and all the faithful departed. Clause of distraint for the rent follows. The grantors surrender possession to the grantees on receipt of 1*d.* The grantors append their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 John Benery; 2 John Biddelake; 3 William Baker; 4 John Syrret; 5 William Ailleford, and many others.

Dated 1st July in the 18th year of the reign of King Henry VII.

1503. 12th August. Magister Iohannes Sowthwode, Bachelor of Theology, is admitted perpetual Vicar of Berypomeroy, on the resignation of Lord Willelmus Hillyng. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Merton.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,264, 1503. 8th September. Martin Groos and Robert Legge lease to William Johns and Alice his wife 2 tenements and 2 gardens in Great Tottenys outside the east gate, of which 1 tenement and 1 garden are between the lawful road leading from the east gate below the walls of the town towards the west gate etc., etc., (same property and description as lease of 1st July, 1503) and 1 close of land between the malt mill on the north, etc., (see same lease). To have and to hold the 2 tenements, 2 gardens and 1 close to William and Alice, for the term of their lives and of the longest liver, of the chief Lords by the rents and services due therefor, with remainder to William Hokemore, Geoffrey Hakewell, John Holman, John Jeles, Richard Pelaton, William Cosby, Roger Fursdon, John Cosen, John Swete and Robert Colton their heirs and assigns for ever to keep an anniversary on the Sunday before the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist with the Vicar there and 7 other priests and 2 clerks present to pray for the souls, etc., (as in above lease) and also of Alice wife of the said William Johns and of John Tokerman and to pay: to the Vicar 6*d.*; to 7 other priests 4*d.* each; to the 2 clerks 2*d.* each; to the wardens 4*d.* each; and to distribute to the poor at the said obit in the church or by the church 2*s.*; and to the poor of St. Mary Magdalene 12*d.* If there is any remainder it shall go to the reparation of the fabric of the parish church of Tottonys for ever.

The grantors appoint William Knollyng and William Helyer their lawful attorneys to enter upon the premises and to deliver possession to the grantees. The grantors append their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 John Benery; 2 John Biddelake; 3 John Syrret; 4 William Ailleford, and many others. Dated 8th September in the 19th year of the reign of King Henry VII.

1503. 26th October. At his manor of Clyst, Bishop Iohannes Arundell conferred the chapel of Warlond upon Lord Nicholaus Byllo (or Billo), chaplain, on the death of Ricardus Tabyn. Mandate issued to the Archdeacon of Totton for his induction.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxviii. 1504. Be it known, etc., we Iohannes Russheford of Cliftowne Dertemouth Hardenes in the county of Devon yoman and Avicia my wife executrix of the will of the late Thoma Rake have remitted, etc., and quit-claimed to Robertus Hill Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Great Totton and to the Convent of the same place, etc., all demands which we have or may have against the said Prior Robert, etc.

In witness of which thing we have appended our seals to the present. Dated on the fifth day of May in the nineteenth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh (5th May, 1504).

Appended to two slips of parchment cut from the deed, two small round seals with identical impression of capital T.

1504. 27th November. Pope Julius II provided Hugh Oldham to the vacant see of Exeter. He was a native of Manchester. He resigned the living of Lanivet in Cornwall, on the 5th July, 1493, and became Archdeacon of Exeter, so that for a dozen years or so he had been acquainted with the diocese. Bishop Oldham did not reach his diocese until September, 1505.

With the licence of his sovereign, King Henry VII, dated Croydon, 1509. 12th January, 1509, he appropriated to the priest-Vicars of his Cathedral the chapel of the Holy Ghost and Warlond in Totnes and also the chapel of Clist Gabriel at Sowton on the 13th February (see *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 293).

1519. 25th June. Bishop Oldham died at Exeter Palace.

1505. 30th January. A charter was granted to Totnes by Henry VII confirming the charter of King John dated 10th May, 1206.

Among the Corporation documents is a slip of paper in English of the earlier half of the 17th century in which it is stated that Mr. Eveleigh (Town Clerk of Totnes, who appears to have soon resigned his office) had

carried with him to London in the year 1635 the Charter of Confirmation which had been granted to the town by King Henry VII; and that Richard English, his servant, was enjoined on behalf of the Corporation to communicate with him on the subject. This charter is now missing and hence probably the loss (*Hist. MSS. Commission*, Report iii, fo. 347). The inspeximus is quoted in the charter of King Henry VIII, dated 21st February, 1510, in an inspeximus by King Edward VI in 1547, and again by Queen Mary in 1553. For abstract see charter of Henry VIII under the year 1510.

1505. 20th September. At Payngton Bishop Oldham admitted Lord Thoma Webber chaplain as Rector of the parish church of Treneglos, on the free resignation of Lord Robertus Knyght and on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreth (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

15th November. At Clyst Bishop Oldham admitted Lord (blank) Jelys Magister in Arts as Vicar of the parish church of Totton, vacant by the death of Lord Iohannes Belleworthy, on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Totton' the patrons (*ibidem*, orig. p. 6. On p. 6b, Lord Iohannes Belleworthy is mentioned as having also been Rector of Churstowe, to which Ricardus Sydmor Magister of Arts is appointed).

A long roll of paper.

Tot. Court Roll, M37, Monday in Easter, 1505.

Magna Tottenes. Law Court held on Monday in the quindenna of Easter in the 20th Henry VII.

Twelve for the King. Robertus Legge, Martinus Grose, Rogerius Fursedon, Iohannes Bidelake, Iohannes Swete, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Holman, Thomas Prendergyste, Iohannes Ielys, Ricardus Byneford, Willelmus Voyse, Thomas Hamelyn, Robertus Whytehed, Willelmus Gylbert, Willelmus Baker, Willelmus Fursedon. (These sixteen names, from which, presumably, a jury of twelve could at any time be drawn, are undoubted evidence that the Roll is *temp*. Henry VII, and not Henry VI, as Mr. Riley interpreted it, as they do not correspond at all to the leading names in Totnes *circa* 1442).

The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Iohannes Swete, Willelmus Baker senior, Iohannes Ielys, Matheus Venperod (?), Ambrosius Swete, Ricardus Martyn, Iohannes Reno(w ?), Iohannes Bydelake, Iohannes Bowdon, Iohannes at Borough, Iacobus Blackaller, Simonus Savery brew and sell and since they break the assize therefore they are in mercy.

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The ale-tasters within the gates come there and present that Thomas Hamelyn, Willelmus Elford, Willelmus Baron, Thomas More, Iohanna Doke, Matheas Panter, Iohannes Ieot, Willelmus Frensh, Matilda Holman, Willelmus Voyse, Rogerus Fursedon, Willelmus Helyer, Hugo Baron, Willelmus Fursedon, Iohannes Kelowe, Thomas Irish (or Trash), Iohannes Ieffry, Willelmus Hanock, brew ale.

The ale-tasters without the west gate present that Ricardus Pelaton, Alicia Weke and Thomas Cole, Walterus Taylor brew ale, etc.

Nicholaus Miller and Nicholaus Peny plaintiff against Willelmus Hayward in a plea of covenant broken who request the arbitration of Rogerius Hokemore and Iohannes Iohann before the festival of St. George and if they cannot agree then Willelmus Iohann. He is attached by surety of Martyn Grose and Iohannes Soyoer.

Rogerius Fursedon (not present) plaintiff against Ricardus Lyon in a plea of detention.

Iohannes Bate plaintiff against Iacobus Hawkyn.

Iohannes Webber plaintiff against Walterus Wele on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Frensshe plaintiff against Eduardus Iay and Clyf his wife on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Baker senior plaintiff against Thomas Erasy on a plea of debt.

The twelve aforementioned come and affirm all the above and finally say that Iohanna formerly the wife of Iohannes Pate is a common *Slocke fil lave* (paper destroyed) . . . from Ricardus Tucker servant of Iohannes Bydelake.

That Willelmus Andrewe de Neweton brought to market beef (*carnes bovium*) which is unfit for food for the subjects of the Lord King.

That Agnes Wattys who held of the Lord certain lands and tenements within the burg died about the last (court) and that the right descended to Margeria the wife of Thomas Erasy heiress of the said Agneta since she has acceded to the Lord relief 14½*d.* and homage.

That Iohanna the wife of Iohannes Perkyn tayllor is a common garrulous person (*garulatryx*) and disturber of the peace.

That Nicholaus Appulton (2*d.*), Iohannes Kelowe (2*d.*), Rosa Hawkyn (2*d.*), and Willelmus Gelys (2*d.*), allow the high way leading from Chezycros towards the barn of Iohannes Kelowe to be with dangerous holes and the foot path (*streta*) to the danger of the subjects of the Lord King: fined 8*d.*

And that Robertus Hyll 3*d.*, Prior of Totton on the east side and Nicholaus Snape on the west side allow the high way leading from "le

Gawloes" to "Greyhodes yate" to be deeply rutted and dangerous to the peril of the subjects of the Lord King: fined 6*d.*

At this court Iohannes Bonyfannte (3*d.*), Willelmus Deane (3*d.*), and Iohannes Bonyfannte (3*d.*) are in mercy because they do not repair the highway leading from the High Street (*Regia Strata*) of Magna Totton' towards "le Soulpe," a danger, etc.: fined 9*d.*

At this court Galfridus Mayne (3*d.*), and the Lord of Totton' (3*d.*) are in mercy because they do not repair the highway leading from the "Maltmyll," to the danger, etc.: fined 6*d.*

Iohannes Ion in mercy because he is not present (*versus*) Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton in a plea of taking and unjustly detaining goods and chattels: fined 2*d.*

Ambrosius Swete plaintiff against Gilbertus Hue in plea of trespass and also against Knappe and Rogerus servants of the said Gilbert. The defendants are bailed on the surety of Willelmus Andrwe [*sic*] and Willelmus Baker junior.

Iohannes Bowdon tayllor plaintiff against Thomas Erasy in a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Bowdon wever plaintiff against Ambrosius Swete in a plea of debt.

Thomas Prendergiste in mercy for licence of agreement with Iohannes Hakewell in a plea of debt.

Willelmus Stephyn in mercy because he is not present *versus* Nicholaus Apulton in a plea of trespass.

Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton in mercy for licence of agreement with Iohannes Feren in a plea of debt.

Rogerius Fursedon in mercy for keeping 2*s.* 8*d.* *versus* Ricardus Lyons.

Galfridus Hakewyll plaintiff against Thomas Prendergyste.

Iohannes Bydelake and Iohannes Ielys wardens of the bridge of Totton plaintiffs against Willelmus Knollyng on a plea of debt.

Thomas Strange plaintiff against Iohannes Tetforde on a plea of debt.

Ambrosius Swete plaintiff against Iohannes Bate on a plea of debt and he is attached and on the instance of the plaintiff Iohannes Feron and Iohannes Toker are appointed valuers.

Iohannes Iame (or Iave) of Ypplepen at the instance of the Lord for trespass.

To this court comes Iohannes Croppe of Carsewyll Abbatis on the surety of Robertus Legge and Iohannes Bera and gives the Lord fine to

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release him from a certain act of trespass particulars of which appear in a previous court.

Martinus Grose and Iohannes Holman executors of the will of Willelmus Mershe plaintiffs against Willelmus Helyer on a plea of debt.

Ambrosius Swete plaintiff against Willelmus Robyns on a plea of agreement broken. And is attached and liberated on the surety of Iohannes Holman and Iohannes Andrwe, who do not produce him therefore they are fined 8*d*.

At this court one young heifer value 10*s*. is in the custody of Galfridus Hakewyll having strayed on the festival of the Invention of the Holy Cross last.

Iohannes Vetyll is in mercy for licence of agreement with Vincencius Langedon on a plea of debt.

Assessors of the court: Rogerius Fursedon and Iohannes Swete.

Monday after 25th April, 1505.

Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Mark the Evangelist in the above year.

Many cases carried forward from preceding court.

Iohannes Renof plaintiff against Henricus Martyn on a plea of debt.

Thomas Hext plaintiff against Willelmus Jons on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Jones and Iohannes Florans plaintiff against Iohannes Bytell on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Ayleford plaintiff against Robertus Davy *alias* Trelake in a plea of debt.

Iohanna formerly the wife of Iohannes Pate, Willelmus Andrewe of Newaton, Iohanna wife of Iohannes Perkyn tayllor, at the instance of the Lord for trangressions to show cause why legal proceedings should not be taken against them.

Willelmus Andrwe and Willelmus Baker do not produce their defendants therefore are fined 2*s*.

Monday before 1st May, 1505.

Magna Totnes. Court of assize, plaints, pleas, etc., held there on Monday before the festival of St. Philip and St. James in the 20th Henry VII.

Robertus Hylle Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Totton plaintiff against Iohannes Parker for licence of agreement and the bailiff attaches him on the surety of Iohannes Bevery and Iohannes Vetyll.

The same Robertus plaintiff against Willelmus Drwe [*sic*] on a plea of trespass.

The same Robertus plaintiff against the same Willelmus on a plea of debt, the latter is summoned but makes default.

The constables of the peace within the gates (4*d.*), and without the west gate (4*d.*), are in mercy because they do not come to serve the court in their various offices: fined 8*d.*

Willelmus (Ayleford corrected to) Elford and Iohannes Hakewell wardens of the altar store of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of Totton' plaintiffs against Robertus Davy *alias* "Trelake" in a plea of debt.

Gilbertus Hewe in mercy for licence of agreement with Ambrosius Swete.

Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday the eve of St. John before the Latin Gate in the above year.

5th May, 1505.

Matheus Langston plaintiff against Iohannes Emote in a plea of deceit. He is attached bodily (*per corpore*) and liberated on the surety of Willelmus Fursedon and Willelmus Knollyng.

Walterus Flute plaintiff against Willelmus Voyse on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Atbruge, otherwise called Davy, plaintiff against Iohannes Terry (written later as Torryng) *per* Ricardus Pelyton attorney on a plea of trespass, and is attached bodily and liberated on the surety of Galfridus Hakewyll and Robertus Legge.

Iohannes Bydelake and Iohannes Jelys wardens of the bridge of Totton plaintiff against Willelmus Knollyng on a plea of debt and he is attached in 1 brass pot, 1 piece of clothing (? doublet, "*duodenum pannum*") of white wool, 2 brass platters, 3 pewter dishes (*discos de pewter*), 1 "slayge." And the same Willelmus is summoned but makes default.

The young heifer in the custody of Galfridus Hakewyll as a stray is ordered to be sold to the same Galfridus for 10*s.*

Magna Totnes. Court of assize held there on Monday after the festival of the Holy Trinity.

Monday after Trinity Sunday 1505.

Alicia Wekes widow plaintiff against Henricus Lusshe on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Bowdon wever plaintiff against Henricus Martyn on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Luscomb and Isabella his wife plaintiffs against Iohannes Bowdon wever on a plea of detention.

Willelmus Bullok and Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Iohannes Bowdon wever on a plea of trespass.

To this court comes Iohanna wife of Iohannes Perkyn tayllor by surety of Ambrosius Swete and Iohannes Atburgh and pays 4*d.* fine for release from a certain trespass.

In re the wardens of the bridge *versus* Willelmus Knollyng: as the latter is summoned and for a fourth time makes default, the provost and his

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bailiff are ordered to summon four of the twelve jurymen for the year to value at the next court the goods attached.

26th May, 1505.

Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday 26th May in the 20th Henry VII.

Simon Carsewyll and Willma his wife executors of the will of Thomas Parquyne *per* Rogerius Hokemore their attorney plaintiff against Andrew Boucherche. Liberated on the surety of Iohannes Bevery and Robertus Whitehed.

The same Andrew (Boucherche) *versus* Iohannes Savery and Willelmus Fursedon.

Iohannes Farlegh plaintiff against Iohannes Reve.

Galfridus Hakewell plaintiff against Alicia formerly wife and executrix of Robertus Horne in a plea of debt.

The same plaintiff against Willelmus Burke in a plea of debt.

Martinus Grose plaintiff against Iohannes Vecyll in a plea of debt.

Willelmus Martyn *per* Rogerius Hokemore his attorney plaintiff against Iohannes Vecyll.

Walterus Flute plaintiff against Robertus Hyll Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary Totton' in a plea of trespass.

The constables without the east gate present that Robertus Ponchard attacked Iohannes Walronde with a *stofhoke* and that the same Iohannes Walronde attacked (*jus fecit super*) the same Robertus with a pair of shears (1 *par forceps*) to the shedding of blood.

Alicia Weke widow plaintiff against Henricus Lusshe in a plea of debt and is attached for one ornamented belt (*zonam harnes'*).

The case of Matheus Langeston plaintiff against Iohannes Emot (this is written on a separate piece of paper and tied to the centre of the roll with a strand of grass. It is the earliest instance in the Rolls of an entry in English and therefore is transcribed in full).

Entry in English.

That shewit youre Mathewe Langiston y^{t} here ys by Rogere Hokemore his attorny that Iohn 'Emot that there ys and hym complaynith y^{t} the said Iohn' desseynably hat hym disshevyd (deceived) and for that wrong y^{t} ye first day of Aprile the yer of ye Rayng of owr soverayn lord ye Kyng y^{h} (which) nowe ys XX^{te} here at mychell Totteneis w^{t} in ye jurisdixion of y^{s} cot the forsaid John Emot promisid the forsaid Mathewe to carie hym over ye see into the towne of Rovewyn (Rouen) Normandy IIII c (a mark like an abbreviated ct possibly signifying hundred weight) of tyne (tin) and III pack of marchant pack wollyne clothe and prayed the sayd Mathewe to take frayte in his shippe and godde send wynd and oftyn tymys syn the said Mathewe came over to ye said John and prayyd hym

to receve into hys shyppe and to carie over the said tyne and clothe into Ronne aforsaide acordyn to hys promisse and he wyll not ner' yt wyll but falsely hym dissevyd to ye hurt and dam(age) of ye said Mathewe. And yff the said John y^l wyll w^t said ye have here ye forsaid Mathewe y^s wyll mayntays h^s sute gode.

The defence is on a separate paper in Latin and to the effect that Matthew Langeston went to a certain Iohannes Holand of Dertmouth, and told the same defendant that he himself had the care of his ship and had a share of the same ship, and if he was able to undertake the navigation accordingly the same Iohannes wished to consent to this since he had his good will without knowing that he deceived him in the manner above stated. Therefore he petitions to bar the action.

Both petition that the case may be heard in court. Therefore the provost is ordered accordingly.

Many cases are carried forward from preceding courts.

9th June, 1505. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday before the festival of St. Barnabas Apostle.

Robertus Vanncefyld plaintiff against Ambrosius Haredon on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Ayleward plaintiff against Iohannes Hervy in a plea of trespass. Liberated on the surety of Walterus Flute and Hugo Baron.

Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Iohannes Bowdon wever on a plea of taking and unjustly detaining chattels or goods.

Simon Carsewyll and Willma his wife, formerly the wife and executrix of the will of Thomas Parquyne, plaintiff against Andreas Bourcherche by surety of Iohannes Savery and Willelmus Fursedon in a plea of account. And the same Andreas is attached bodily and liberated by surety of Iohannes Bevery and of Robertus Whitehed who do not produce him therefore they are in mercy. And the aforesaid Iohannes Savery and Willelmus Fursedon are summoned and do not come therefore to be attached.

Iohannes Farlegh *per* Ricardus Pelyton his attorney plaintiff against Iohannes Reve in a plea of agreement broken, sureties for his presence Ricardus Pelyton and Ricardus Doo. And he is attached and liberated on the surety of Willelmus Veyse and Iohannes Atteburgh.

16th June, 1505. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle.

Willelmus Voyse plaintiff against Iohannes Wynter in a plea of agreement broken.

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Ricardus Byneforde plaintiff against Iohannes Perkyn tayllor and Iohanna his wife on a plea of trespass.

Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Walterus Colton on a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Bydelake plaintiff against Ricardus Martyn and Margareta his wife in a plea of trespass on his law suit (*super casum suum*).

Matilda Holman widow plaintiff against Iohanna Wever widow on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Torryng plaintiff against Iohanna Brek of Staverton widow in a plea of agreement broken.

Nicholaus Bruard plaintiff against Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton in a plea of debt.

Robertus Vanncefylde plaintiff against Ambrosius Haredon in a plea of debt. Although summoned by the bailiff he does not come therefore is to be attached.

Galfridus Hakewell plaintiff against Willelmus Durke in a plea of debt and is attached by a brass pot, 1 belt decorated with silver and 1 "quylte." And Willelmus though summoned makes default.

On attached slip:

Panel (jury empanelled in case) between Matheus Langston plaintiff and Iohannes Emott defendant.

Thomas More, Nicholaus Pochemaker, Ra(dul)ph(us) Bovy, Iamys Pascowe, Wa(l)t(erus) Smyth, Willelmus Deyniam, Iohannes Begyll, Wa(l)t(erus) Weyell, Iohannes Symon, Phylyp Dofty, Willelmus Deyn, Symon Savery, Crystofer Bontyng, Willelmus Baker, Iohannes Toker, Petrus Ynglysch, Iohannes Fursden (crossed out), Iohannes Feron, Ricardus Iames.

On reverse: Willelmus Elford, Iohannes Andrew and Thomas Karswell under a penalty of 40*s*. to be levied on their goods (possibly evaded service on the jury).

30th June, 1505.

Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday after the festival of the Apostles Peter and Paul in the 20th Henry VII.

Nicholaus Apulton plaintiff against Eduardus Jay on a plea of account.

Nicholaus Apulton plaintiff against Robertus Hill Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Marie of Totton and Willelmus Knollyng in a plea of trespass.

Matheus Langeston, Philippus Dougherty, Walterus Flute and Willelmus Voyse are the jury appointed to value 1 "gurdell" in the case

of Alicia Weke widow plaintiff against Henricus Lusshe in a plea of debt for which 1 belt ornamented with silver was attached.

7th July, 1505. Magna Tottenes. Court held there on Monday the festival of St. Thomas the Martyr in the 20th Henry VII.

The constables of the peace within the gates and without the east gate are in mercy because they do not come to correct (*ad emend'*) the court in their official capacity (*in officiis suis*): fined 4*d.*

Willelmus Voyse plaintiff against Walterus Flute in agreement broken and also in a plea of trespass.

Nicholaus Appulton plaintiff against Robertus Hyll Prior, etc., of Totton and Willelmus Knollyng in a plea of trespass in this legal cause. They do not come therefore are to be attached.

Nicholaus Bruard is in mercy because he is not present in a plea of debt against Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton': fined 2*d.*

Walterus Flute is in mercy because he is not present in a plea of trespass in his case against Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton': fined 1*d.*

21st July, 1505. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Margaret the Virgin in the 20th Henry VII.

Thomas Skymer plaintiff against Iohannes Lapthorne in a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Swete plaintiff against Iohannes Hacker and Eddyn' his wife in a plea of trespass and is attached by the bailiff in one "batta" (possibly should be "*batioca,*" a bowl for wine, generally of gold or gilt) and is liberated on the surety of Nicholaus Appulton and Iohannes Tetford who do not appear and are fined 4*d.*

Iohannes Bowdon wever plaintiff against Iohannes Hacker junior in a plea of trespass. Sureties for latter are Iohannes Andrue and Iohannes Godeyere.

Iohannes Bowdon wever plaintiff against Iohannes Voyse in a plea of debt. Sureties for latter are Willelmus Voyse and Christofer Downyng.

Iohannes Lapthorne plaintiff against Thomas Skynner de Staverton in a plea of debt. Sureties for latter are Ambrosius Swete and Iohannes Bowdon wever. And the same Thomas is in mercy for the detention of 14*s.* 4*d.* which he promised to pay at the festival of St. Michael last, and is given to the festival of All Saints next.

Walterus Flute plaintiff against Jacobus Thomas in a plea of trespass. Sureties for latter Iohannes Holman and Iohannes Davy *alias* Fursedon.

The constables of the peace without the east gate are in mercy because

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they do not come to serve (*ad serviend'*) the court in their official capacity (*in eor' officiis*): fined 6*d*.

Lucas Savery plaintiff against Willelmus Voyse in plea of debt.

Iohannes Bydelake plaintiff against Ricardus Martyn and Margareta his wife in a plea of trespass in his case. And the parties agree to the arbitration of the Mayor *per* Willelmus Jones before the next court, under a penalty from each of 40*s*.

In case of Alicia Weke widow and executrix of the will of Willelmus Weke plaintiff against Henricus Lusshe in a plea of debt. The assessors appointed value the belt decorated with silver at 21*s*. 4*d*. and expenses of the case at 19*d*. And the jury are to remit (the amount) at the next court.

Thomas Erasy in mercy for licence of agreement with Iohannes Bowdon tayllor ("wever" is crossed out) in a plea of agreement broken.

28th July. 1505.

Magna Totnes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of St. Iacobus Apostle.

Gilbertus Perot *per* Rogerus Hokemore his attorney plaintiff against Iohannes Vetyll in a plea of debt.

Iohannes Bowdon wever plaintiff against Iohannes Voyse in a plea of debt. Sureties for latter Willelmus Voyse and Christofer Bowncyng (quite another rendering of this name).

In the case of Nicholaus Appulton plaintiff against Eduardus Iay on a plea of account, they decide to appeal to the arbitration of Galfridus Hakewell, Rogerus Hokemore, Iohannes Davy and Ricardus Peliton on all points the sureties being, Galfridus Hakewell and Christofer Downcyng.

Ricardus Byneford plaintiff against Iohannes Perquyne [*sic*] tayllor and Iohanna his wife in a plea of trespass.

Robertus Vawncefyld plaintiff against Ambrosius Haredon in a plea of debt.

To this court comes Willelmus Andrwe de Newaton and asks by the surety of Ricardus Bevemore and Ambrosius Tarde to be released of the various trespasses and offenses of which he is accused.

Galfridus Hakewyll plaintiff against Thoma Prendergyste whose sureties are Iohannes Davy and Iohannes Burgher submit to the arbitration of Willelmus Jones, Robertus Legge, Iohannes Bevery and Iohannes Swete.

11th August, 1505.

Magna Totnes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of St. Laurencius the Martyr.

Thomas Gale (not present) by surety of Willelmus Dene plaintiff against Thomas Orchard in a plea of debt.

Iohannes Bate plaintiff against Jacobus Hawkyn in a plea of debt.

Iohannes Hakewell plaintiff against Thoma de Uppecote and Iohannes Frend in a plea of debt.

Walterus Flute plaintiff against Iohannes Hacker junior on a plea of trespass.

Galfridus Hakewyll plaintiff against Willelmus Durke in a plea of debt. Latter is attached in 1 brass pot, 1 belt decorated with silver and 1 "quylte."

Galfridus Hakewell plaintiff against Thoma Prendergyste in a plea of account. Sureties for latter, Iohannes Davy de Folaton and Iohannes Atburgh. They submit to arbitrators appointed by the Mayor and seneschal namely Willelmus Jones, Robertus Legge, Iohannes Bevery, and Iohannes Swete to audit the accounts of the aforesaid Thoma (*ad audiend' comp'*).

18th August, 1505. Magna Totnes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary in the above year.

Iohannes Jon de Folaton plaintiff against Iohannes Bonefannte in a plea of debt.

The constables of peace without the west gate are in mercy because they do not come to serve the court in their official capacity: fined 6*d.*

The constables without the east gate present that Jacobus Thoma attacked Walterus Flute with a stone to the shedding of blood.

also that the same Jacobus attacked Henricus Thorne with a stone to the shedding of blood.

Thomas Gale by surety of Willelmus Deane is in mercy because he is not present in a plea of debt *versus* Thoma Orchard: fined 2*d.*

Martinus Grose and Iohannes Holman executors of the will of Willelmus Mershe plaintiff *versus* ([*sic*] previously always written "*de*") Willelmus Helyer in plea of debt. The bailiff attached 1 silver "*ciphum*" (possibly *sipho, nis*=a funnel or perhaps a tap is meant) and 1 "*maser*" (from "*mazonomum*," a platter or large dish more especially to carry meat in).

1st September, 1505. Magna Totnes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of the Beheading of S. John the Baptist, in the 20th (21st originally written and crossed out) Henry VII.

Willelmus Gybbes Esquire in mercy because he is not present in a plea of agreement broken *versus* Iohannes Lapthorne.

Iohannes Austyn by surety of Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Iohannes Baker in a plea of debt.

The same against Thoma Eresay in a plea of debt.

Thomas Forde by surety of Willelmus Jones plaintiff against Iohannes Hacker senior, Iohannes Hacker son of the said Iohannes Hacker senior and Iohannes Hacker junior on a plea of trespass. (This is undoubtedly an instance of two brothers being named alike. Iohannes Hacker senior and junior being brothers, the eldest brother's son being known as Iohannes son of Iohannes senior).

Radulphus Laverans plaintiff against Willelmus Durke in a plea of detention.

Willelmus Martyn *per* R. Hokemore his attorney plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Vytell in a plea of debt. He is attached by 1 pair of "Brygandynes." (A coat of mail, of linen or leather covered with steel rings or plates: in this case the pair probably refers to protection for the arms or legs).

This very long roll possibly did not originally end with this court as the paper is torn right through the record.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxix. **1505.**

Be it known, etc., I Thoma, Abbat of Buckelond, of the diocese of Exeter, collector of the second half of the subsidy have received and have on the day of the drawing up of the present from the Prior of Tottonia:

for the church of Hannoke		I*d. ob*
,, ,, ,, ,, Stowke		XII*d.*
,, ,, ,, ,, Pole		IX*d.*
,, ,, ,, ,, Lodeswelle		IIII*d.*
,, ,, ,, ,, Alnngton		XVI*d.*
,, ,, ,, ,, Tottonia	X*s.*	
,, ,, ,, ,, Brixham	XIII*s.*	IIII*d.*
,, Preston and Ayssprynge ton	V*s.*	II*d.*
,, the vicarage of Tottonia	III*s.*	IIII*d.*

of which sums paid me the Prior is quit. Dated under my seal on the 26th day of the month of July in the twentieth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh (26th July, 1505).

Appended to strip of parchment cut from original deed the seal of the Abbat of Buckland. A round impression three-quarters of an inch diameter, enclosing a shield. As described in Oliver's *Monasticon*, fo. 382, the device is: quarterly argent and gules, a crosier (more correctly a pastoral staff) in bend, or.

On reverse in English: "An acquittance for the rec of a half of a subsidy of the prior of Tottenes for certen churches ratet."

1505. 10th April. Mandate issued to the Prior of Tywardraith to collect the second half of a subsidy from Cornwall.

2nd August. Letters of compulsion from Bishop Oldham issued to Iohannes Lamas priest to celebrate in the parish church of Brixham for a certain fraternity there (*pro quandam fraternitatem ibidem*) to the deprivation of the care of the parish church of Kenton for fifteen days.

1506. 20th January. The Bishop, at Exeter, ordered letters of compulsion to be sent to Lord Iohannes Lammas chaplain to celebrate in the parish church of Brixham for ten days, depriving the parish of Kenton of his services, and on the same date a citation is sent to Lord Willelmus Stokfische, Vicar of Kenton, that for two months he is to remain at his vicariate and personally reside there under penalty of the law.

12th February. Penitentiaries appointed. In the deanery of Totton: Magister Willelmus Jelys Vicar of Totton.

25th February. Indulgence of forty days granted by Bishop Oldham to all parishioners, etc., assisting in the repair of the chapel of the Blessed Mary of Stert in the parish of Stokinham.

20th April. Bishop Oldham, at Clyst, granted to Lord Ricardus Merton, Prior of Tywardreth, licence to draw an annual pension from the income of the said priory.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxx. 1506. Be it known, etc., I Willelmus Cosby executor of the will of Iohannes Cosby executor also of the will of Walterus Cosby deceased have quit claimed to Robertus Hill Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Great Tottonia and the Convent of the same place all claim which I have, etc., against the said Prior, etc. In witness of which thing my seal is appended. Dated on the eighth day of the month of August in the twenty-first year of the reign of King Henry the seventh (8th August, 1506).

On reverse in English: "A generall relesse made by William Cosby to Robert Hill prior."

Appended to parchment slip cut from deed a small round seal with impression half inch in diameter, enclosing a well-shaped W surmounted by small cross with base.

1506. 25th November. At Clyst Bishop Oldham admitted Lord Thoma Colyns monk as Prior of Tywardreth on the free resignation of Lord Ricardus Marton and on the presentation of King Henry. And subsequently by consent of the patron and of the said Lord Thoma Colyns the

Bishop assigned an annual pension of XX *libri* to the said Lord Ricardus for his life (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

8th December. On the death of Magister Iohannes Sowthwode, Bishop Oldham admitted Magister Edmundus Wylfford professor of sacred theology as Vicar of Bery-pomeray on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Merton.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxi. 1507.

To all faithful in Christ, etc., the Lady Iohanna Arundell widow, once the wife of Edmundus Arundell knight deceased and Elizabeth Radclyff daughter of the said Iohanna greeting. Be it known we the aforesaid Iohanna and Elizabeth have granted to Thoma Upcott the wardship and marriage of Iohannes Wey son and heir of Willelmus Wey who formerly together with all the mesuages lands and tenements Hollam and Underclyyff I had by the gift and concession of Edmundus Arundell knight. Which mesuages, etc., Willelmus Wey father of the aforesaid Iohannes held from the aforesaid Edmundus for military service as from his manor of Huwyssh in the county of Devon. To have all the aforesaid first fruits to Thoma Upcott during the minority of the said Iohannes. And we Lady Iohanna and Elizabeth, etc., hold to warranty against the executor of the aforesaid Edmundus Arundell. In witness of which we have appended our seals to the present. Dated on the ninth day of January Anno Domini 1506, and in the twenty-second year of King Henry the seventh (9th January, 1507).

(Signed) Jane Arundell. Elizabeth Radclyff.

This is the first deed with actual signatures.

On reverse in English: "A grannt of the wardeship and marriage of John Waye by the ladie Jane Arundell, etc."

Appended to parchment slips cut from deed two small seals. The first measuring half an inch square, bears the letters R T. The second small impression is a floral design like a cowslip.

1507.

2nd November. On the free resignation of Lord Nicholaus Morton Bishop Oldham admitted Lord Iohannes Trelawny chaplain as Rector of the parish church of Mynystre *alias* Talcaron on the presentation of Lord Maric Hastynge, Hungreford, Bottreaux and Molyns patron. And subsequently the Bishop granted the said Lord Nicholaus X*li.* pension annually for life.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,265. 1508.

20th January. William Voyse and Wilmota his wife quit claim to John Hakewell and Isabella his wife their right in one tenement with garden in Great Tottonys outside the east gate between the tenement of the bridge

of Tottonys on the east, and the highway on the south, and the tenement and garden of William Cosby on the west and north; and also their right in a garden outside the west gate by "le Rotherfold" between the garden of William Hokemore on the east, and the garden of John Gilbert on the south, and the highway on the west, and the tenement of St. Mary of pity on the north. Of which premises they acknowledge the grantees to be seized in their demesne as of fee by these presents. Clause of warranty follows. The grantors appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Robert Legge then Mayor of Tottonys; 2 William Johns; 3 John Benery; 4 William Cosby; 5 Ralph Laverans then deputy of Thomas Ussher provost and many others. Dated 20th January in the 23rd year of the reign of K. Henry VII.

1508. 24th March. On the free resignation of Magister Edmundus Wylford, Bishop Oldham admitted Lord Georgius Faryngdon chaplain as Vicar of Berry pomeray on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Merton (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 22. 1508. Be it known that I Willelmus Peperell of the parish of Aysheprynngton in Devon gentleman son and heir of Robertus Peperell undertake to pay to Iohannes Scoos of the City of Exeter two hundred pounds of legal money. I have sealed this. Dated 30 August in the 24th Henry VII.

Conditions that Iohannes (Scoos) shall enjoy and possess thirteen *solidi* annual rent from the lands, etc., of the said Willelmus in Westlegh within the parish of Hurburton, etc. Signed "per me Willelmus Peperell."

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxii. 1508. Be it known, etc., I Iohannes Churston of London broderer have quit claimed to Robertus Hyll Prior of the house of the church of the Blessed Mary of Great Totteneys in the county of Devon all debts, etc. In witness of which I have appended my seal. Dated London the twenty-fourth November in the twenty-fourth year of King Henry the seventh (24 November, 1508).

(Signed) "by me Iohannes Churston."

On reverse in English: "A generall relees of Iohannes Churston of London to Robert Hill prior."

Appended to parchment strip cut from deed a small seal, apparently a floral design but very indistinct.

(Possibly the Prior had to visit London, this occurred just four months

before the death of Henry VII, and may have settled with the "broderer" for vestments bought of him for the use of the Priory).

1508. 26th November. On the free resignation of Lord Thoma Webbe, Bishop Oldham admitted Lord Iohannes Pers chaplain as Vicar of Treneglos on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Tywardreth (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

1509. 12th January. Bishop Hugh Oldham appropriated to the priest vicars of his cathedral the chapel of the Holy Ghost at Warlond in Totnes.

"This arrangement seems to have given great offence to William Tompson a brother at Hounslow, who intruded himself into the hospital, but was forced to make humble submission to the Bishop 'in the chapel of the Blessed Mary within the episcopal palace without Temple Bar London, on 15 February 1512. Eight days later his confrére Richard Richardson submitted." (Oliver, *Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 240).

The above property was sold in 1801 under the Land Tax Redemption Act (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 166).

A cottage owned by Mr. Goodridge, and used as a small general shop, is reputed to be part of this foundation. A well just inside the entrance on the right-hand side was recently closed. The walls, which are twenty-eight inches thick, suggest great age.

1509. 14th May. The following parishioners of the chapel of St. Sampson de Gullant dependent upon the parish church of St. Andree the Apostle of Triwordreith, *i.e.* Willelmus Barrett, Iohannes Collequyte, Walterus Robbyne, Walterus Alen, Philippus Higowe, Iohannes Gullie, Iohannes Alen, Iohannes Burnard, Iohannes Drew, Iohannes Alen senior, Philippus Gattie, Iohannes Nicholl, Iohannes Upcotte, Edmundus Collequyte, Iohannes Luckie senior, Iohannes Strange, Willelmus Lakys senior and Willelmus Lakys junior, say that the chapel has time beyond memory been dependent upon the parish church by consent of the Prior and Convent of Triwordreith, but on account of the distance and difficulty of the roads, and of conveying their dead for Christian burial, petition that the chapel shall be granted full rights.

The matter was submitted to Prior Thoma of Triwordreith, to the churchwardens of the mother church, Willelmus Richard and Rogerus Robyn, as well as to the following parishioners, Robertus Hary, Iohannes Trevyvian, Benedictus William, Iohannes Barssby, Ricardus Davy and Iohannes Hirk, who by procuration appear on the 5th May, 1509. The Prior granting consent by deed dated 12th May, episcopal sanction was finally given on the 14th May, 1509.

1509. 29th March. Licence granted to Lord Iohannes Cocke, Vicar of St. Antonii de Menegy, to draw a pension from the income of the parish church.

16th September. At Clist, Bishop Oldham, on the death of Lord Ricardus Warde, admitted Lord Thoma Colcott chaplain to the perpetual chantry of SS. Edmund the Martyr and Edmund the Confessor on the bridge of Totton on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecomb (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

1510. Confirmation by H. VIII dated 21st February 1510, of an Inspeximus by H. VII dated 30th January 1505, confirming Charter by King John dated 10th May 1206.

The parchment measures twenty-nine inches by twenty-one inches. Spaces for ornate capital letters are left in the headline, but doubtless the demand upon the scrivener's time for this class of document in the first year of the new King's reign prevented the final embellishment of this deed.

The lower half of the Great Seal of King Henry VIII, in green wax, still adheres to the yellow and green silk cord attached. An additional protection has been afforded by enclosing the yellow silk in a gilt metal wrapping. A note at the bottom supplies the information that the scrivener's name was Waren, and the cost of the deed "*pro viginti et sex solidis et octo denariis solutis in havario.*"

On reverse in English: "A Charter of Totnes granted in the first yere of Henry the eight." The endorsement also occurs: "make a copy hereof for Mr. Hull."

The date of King John's charter given by Mr. William Cotton (*Antiquities of Totnes*, appendix, fo. 89) is certainly wrong, as the year is not the seventeenth but the seventh (*septimo*).

A transcription of this important charter is given *in extenso*.

Henricus Dei gratia Rex Anglie et Francie Dominus Hibernie Omnibus ad quos presentes litere pervenerint salutem. Inspeximus literas patentes pre carissimi patris nostri domini H. nuper Regis Anglie septimi de confirmacione factas in hec verba—

Henricus Dei gratia Rex Anglie dominus Hibernie. Omnibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salutem. Inspeximus quandam cartam Iohannis quondam Regis Anglie progenitoris nostri factam in hec verba—Iohannes Dei gratia Rex Anglie dominus Hibernie dux Normannie et Aquitanie et Comes Andegavie, Archiepiscopis, Episcopis, Abbatibus, Comitibus, Baronibus, Justiciariis, Vicecomitibus et omnibus Ballivis et

fidelibus suis salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse quod Burgus noster de Tottenes sit liber Burgus et Burgenses nostri de eadem villa habeant gildam mercatorum et quietanciam per totam terram nostram de theolonio pontagio passagio stallagio levagio lastagio et sullagio et de omnibus aliis habuemoi consuetudinibus. Concessimus autem eis quod non placitent nisi infra Burgum predictum de rebus vel tenuris ad villam suam pertinentibus. Volumus etiam et concedimus quod nullus vices neque escaetor aut aliquis alius ballivus noster in aliquo intromittat de re querela vel accione vel aliqua re alia ad predictum Burgum pertinente praeterquam ad placita ad Coronam nostram spectante quo tamen per eosdem Burgenses attachiare debent usque adventum Justiciorum nostrorum itinerantorum in Devonia. In cujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Westm' decimo die Maii anno regni nostri septimo. Omnibus quidem articulis libertatibus per nos diligenter inspectis. Sciatis quod nos grata consideracione pensantes gestum bonum quem in dilectis nobis Burgensibus antedictis temporibus guerrivis et pace per maris et terre climita (?) in partibus illis in necessitatis temporibus nobis et progenitoribus nostris unistociens impensium predictam cartam in singulis suis articulis concessis dilectis nobis Galfrido Hakewill nunc majori Burgi predicti ac prefatis Burgensibus heredibus et eoribus successoribus in omnibus parut ipsi et predecessores sui unquam aliquo tempore praeterito liberius et quiecius ea omnia et singula usi et gavisi fuerunt tenore presencium confirmamus ratificamus et approbamus pro nobis et heredibus nostris in perpetuum.

10th May, 1206.

Et ulterius de uberiori grata nostra et eo cetera sciencia et mero motu nostris concedimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris eisdem maiori et Burgensibus quod ipsi maior et Burgenses decetero sint unum corpus corporatum in re et nomine de uno maiore et Burgensibus dicti Burgi de Tottenes habeantque successionem perpetuam et per idem nomen sint persone habiles in lege et capaces ad perquirendum terras et tenementas. Habendum sibi et successoribus suis in feodo et perpetuitate de quibus cumque personis sive quacumque persona ea sibi dare seu concedere volenti vel volentibus de quibuscumque tenuris evistant. Et quod ipsi per nomen Maioris et Burgencium Burgi predicti et successores sui placitare et implacitari respondere et responderi possint tam coram nobis et heredibus nostris in Cancellaria nostra et heredum nostrorum ac coram Justiciis nostris et heredum nostrorum ad placita coram nobis et heredibus nostris tenendis Justiciis nostris de Banco sive Communi Banco et heredum

nostrorum Thesauriis et Baronibus de Scaccario nostro et heredum nostrorum ac Baronibus de eodem Scaccario Senescallo et Marescallo hospicii nostri et heredum nostrorum quam coram quibuscumque aliis Judicibus sive Justiciis infra regnum nostrum Anglie in quibuscumque Curiis in omnibus et singulis accionibus personalibus realibus nuxtis (?) et quibuscumque aliis causis motis sive movendis.

Et ulterius de uberiori grata nostra concedinus per presentes prefato maiori quod ipse et successores sui Majores burgi illius qui pro tempore erint imperpetuum habeant occupent et excerceant et eores quilibet habeat occupet et excerceat infra Burgum predictum officium clerici mercati hospicii nostri heredes et successorum nostrorum ac omnia et singula jura auctoritates execuciones et interesse que ad officium clerici mercati qualitercumque infra regnum nostrum Anglie pertinentem sive spectantem de omnibus et singulis rebiss causis et materiis officium illud concervendum infra Burgum predictum et procinctum ejusdem factam sive contingentem tam in presencia nostra heredum et successorum nostrorum quam in absencia nostra heredum et successorum nostrorum ac omnia exitus fines amerciamenta forisfactura redempciones et proficua inde provenientes sive contingentes et quojusmodo nobis spectantes sive pertinentes ex causa illa ad usum opus et proficium ipsorum Maioris et successorum suorum levandos et capiendos imperpetuum per presentes eisdem Maiori et Burgensibus damus et concedimus absque aliquo compoto seu aliquo alio nobis heredibus et successoribus nostris provide reddendo solvendo seu faciendo.

Et quod exitunc infuturo nullus alius clericus mercati hospicii nostri heredum vel succesorum nostrorum nisi Maior Burgi predicti protempore existens Burgum predictum ad aliquod quod ad officium clerici mercati ibidem pertinet faciendum seu exequendum ingrediatur nec se de aliquo in Burgo predicto aut aliqua inde processa colore officii sui aliqualiter intromittat nisi in defectum ipsuis Maioris et successorum suorum pro defectum justicie in ea parte. Et ulterius de uberiori grata nostra concedimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris eisdem Maiori et Burgensibus quod ipsi et eores heredes et successores imperpetuum sint quieti de theolonio, muragio, panagio, paiagio, tumragio, stallagio, passagio, ancoragio, cusagio, barbicanagio, Kaiagio, strondagio, Wharvagio, planoagio, lastagio, levagio et de omnibus aliis hermoi consuetudinibus de omnibus bonis rebus et mercandisis suis propriis infra regnum dominium et potestatem nostram praestand'.

Et quod dicti Burgenses heredes et successores sui Burgenses Burgi

predicti decetero singulis annis eligere possint in gilda aula sua et facere de seipsis scilicet in festo Sancti Mathei apostoli accidente vicesimo primo die Septembris singulis annis unam idoneam et discretam personam in maiorem ipsius Burgi qui nobis et regno nostro sit fidelis ad dictum burgum custodiendum et ad placita ejusdem burgi tengendum rite et licite tenendum coram dicto Maiore et Senescallo domini dicti burgi ibidem pro tempore existendum deputandum ceteraque omnia que ad burgum predictum et Burgenses ejusdem contingunt parut justum fuerit in eodem Burgo faciendum et exequendum.

Ita quod dictus maior statim post electionem coram Burgensibus ejusdem Burgi et Ricordatore ejusdem sive ejus deputato in hac parte assignato pro tempore ibidem existente ut predicita corporale prestet sacramentum super Sancta Dei evanngelia quod ipse erga nos et heredes nostros pro et in confirmacione jurium nostrorum et heredum nostrorum ac libertatium et liberarium consuetudinum ejusdem burgi et etiam in execucione dicti officii sui bene et fideliter se habebit.

Et quod iidem Burgenses heredes et successores sui non implacitent aut implacitentur alibi quam infra burgum predictum coram Maiore ejusdem burgi qui pro tempore fuerit vel ejus sufficiente deputato et senescallo domini Burgi predicti de aliquibus tenuris suis intrinfecis aut transgressionibus seu contratibus vel aliqua alia re infra burgum predictum facta sive emergen' licet ipsi burgenses partes fuerint nisi placita illa tangant nos vel heredes nostros.

Ac eciam quod habeant infangthef et outfangthef deodanda thesauri' absconditer ac eciam catalla felonum fugitivorum utlagatorum seu utlagand' et Wannatar' vel Wannand' attincter vel attingend necnon qualitercumque dampnatorum seu convictorum et dampnand' seu commicend' felonum de se in quibuscumque Curiis nostris seu heredum nostrorum tam coram nobis seu heredibus nostris quam aliis Justiciis seu heredum nostrorum quibuscumque assidend faciend vel adjudicand. Ac etiam catalla quarumcumque personarum in evigend pro feloniis positer seu ponend necnon utlagater sive utlagand et catalla qualitercumque consistater seu consistand omnium inhabitancium et residencium et de omnibus inhabitantibus et residentibus infra burgum predictum inventa sive quojusmodo ibidem emergend'. Et quod iidem Major et Burgenses et successores sui pro se vel ministros suos habuemoi bona et catalla utlagater sive utlagand Wannater sive Wannand et catalla qualitercumque consistat' sive consistand' infra jurisdicionem burgi predicti seisire et capere possint ad opus dictorum Maioris et Burgensium burgi predicti et

heredum et successorum suorum absque perturbacione molestacione seu impedimento nostri seu heredum nostrorum aut aliorum quorumcumque et absque compoto seu aliquo alio nobis aut heredibus nostris inde reddendo. Dumtamen non cedat at providicium antiqui juris domini burgi predicti seu heredum suorum. Licet ea per nos seu heredes nostros aut aliquos Ballivos Officiaros seu Ministros nostros vel heredum nostrorum seisita fuerint seu seisire contingent. Et etiam concedimus quod iidem Maior et Burgenses eorumque heredes et successores Burgenses burgi predicti pro tempore existen' et qui extunc erint quod non ponanta seu eorum aliquis ponata in assisis juratis recognicionibus aut inquisicionibus aliquibus racione terrarum et tenementum suorum infra burgum predictum existen' vel racione transgressionum contractum convencionum aut aliorum negociorum infra burgum predictum que corum quibuscumque Justiciis vel aliis Ministris nostris extra burgum predictum emerserint faciendum quamdam moram in eodem burgo fecerint. Et quod homines forinsici non ponanta cum ipsis Burgensibus in assisis juratis recognicionibus aut inquisicionibus quibuscumque que racione terrarum vel tenementum in eodem burgo existen aut transgressionum contractum convencionum aut aliorum negociorum quorumcumque intruisecorum emerserint faciendum nisi ipsa res tangat nos vel heredes nostros.

Et de uberiori grata nostra concessimus dictis Burgensibus heredibus et successoribus suis imperpetuum quod Maior ejusdem Burgi et successores sui habeant exnunc cognicionem de omnibus placitis terrarum et tenementum et de omnibus placitis realibus personalibus et mixtis et assisis nove disseisine et mortis antecessorum infra bundas et libertates burgi predicti emergent tenenda coram eodem Maiore et successoribus suis vel eoribus sufficienter deputatibus et Senescallo domini Burgi predicti pro tempore ibidem existen. Ac insuper de uberiori grata nostra concessimus et per presentes concedimus eisdem Maiori et Burgensibus et successoribus suis quod ipse Maior et Burgenses predicti et eorum successores imperpetuum habeant retornum omnium barrium et preceptorum nostrorum et heredum nostrorum quorumcumque ac summonicionem de Scaccario nostro et heredum nostrorum nos aut heredes nostros aut alios quoscumque tangen' seu tangend' et execusiones eorumdem ac retornum quorumcumque billarum et praeceptorum nostrorum coram quibuscumque Justiciis Officiariis seu Ministris nostris et heredum nostrorum retornabilium ac execuciones omni et singulorum eorumdem infra Burgum predictum fiend vel exequend per ministros suos aut successores suorum. Ita quod nullus Vicecomes Ballivus Officiarius vel

Minister noster aut heredum nostrorum Burgum illum ad aliquam execucionem hujusmodi preceptorum summonicionum et billarum ibidem faciendum seu exequend ingrediata nec se inde in aliquo - - intromittat ad officia sua ibidem faciend' aut exequend' pro aliquo ad Burgum predictum sive infra Burgum illum pertinen' fiend nisi in def (ectum?) ipsorum Maiorum seu Officiariorum burgi predicti.

Et in super de uberiori grata nostra ac excetera sciencia et mero motu nostris predictis concessimus et per presentes concedimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris predictis Maiori et Burgensibus et successoribus suis quod ipse Maior et successores sui predicti Maiores burgi predicti qui pro tempore fuerint vel ejus deputatus sufficiens cum Senescallo domini Burgi predicti cum introerit ut predictum in Curia sua de Gildhalda Burgi predicti omnia et omnimodo placita realia personalia et mixta infra burgum predictum ante hec tempora emersere et imposterum emergend' per billas et querelas coram eisdem Maiore vel deputato suo et Senescallo predicto in Curia illa levand et affirmand' tenere et cogniciones inde habere ac personas quascumque versus quas habuemoi billas et querelas in dicta Curia prosequi vel moneri contingent' summonire ac per terras bona corpora et catalla sua attachiare et distringere ac arrestare cum casus requisierit infra burgum predictum debito legis processu et corpora persone committi facere omniaque placita habuemoi audire et terminare et judicia inde juxta legis formam reddere execuciones que inde per ministros suos fieri et exequi facere possint imperpetuum. Et quod habeant omnia et omnimodo fines et amerciamenta et exitus coram prefatis Maiore et deputatis suis et successoribus eorum forisfact' seu forisfaciend' ex quacumque causa infra burgum et libertatem predictum fact' forisfact' et emergent' vel imposterim emergend' absque impeticione vel perturbacione nostri vel heredum aut successorum nostrorum ad usum ipsorum Maioris et Burgensium et successorum suorum imperpetuum. Proviso semper quod dicti Maior et Burgenses et eorum successores virtute aut colore istarum letterarum nostrarum patentium non habeant nec capiant aliquam libertatem franchesiam jurisdictionem potestatem interesse aut proficua infra burgum predictum quojusmodo que cederent ad exhereditatem seu providicium juris domini burgi predicti aut heredum suorum aut quod presens concessio nostra se ullo modo extendat ad providicium antiqui juris dicti domini burgi predicti aut heredum suorum quo ad aliqua que eidem domino aut heredibus suis de libertate auctoritate aut proficiis suis infra burgum predictum ab antiquo pertinen' spectare deberent: sed jure suo et heredum suorum aut aliorum quorumcumque de

et in premissis eis semper salvo. Et omnes et singulas transgressiones impeticiones et offensas quas erga nos aut progenitores sive predecessores nostros nuper Reges Anglie: ipse Maior et Burgenses aut predecessores sui vel eorum aliquis abutendo sive clamando aliquas libertates jura regia aut franchesias sub colore cartarum progenitorum nostrorum concessarium eis inde minime sufficienter aut aliter legittime non approbata que de jure uti non deberent ac ante presentem diem fecerunt aut perpetrarunt eisdem nunc Maiori et Burgensibus tenore presencium ex grata nostra speciali et mero motu nostris plenarie pardonamus remittimus et relaxamus. Eo quod expressa mencio de aliquo certitudine premissorum vel valore annuo eorumdem seu alicujus eorumdem aut de cujusmodi dampno quod nobis aut heredibus nostris fuerit aut cederet racione dicte concessionis nostre in presentibus facta non existat aut quod nos vide plene non sumus instructi aut informati aut aliquo statuto actu ordinacione provisione sive restrictione incontrarium ante hec tempora facta edita ordinata sive provisa aut aliqua alia re causa seu materia quacumque in aliquo non obstanta.

In cujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Westm' tricesimo die Januarii anno regni nostri vicesimo.

30th January, 1505.

Nos autem litteras predictas ac omnia et singula in eisdem contenta rata habentes et grata ea pro nobis et heredibus nostris quantum in nobis est acceptamus et approbamus ac dilectis nobis nunc Maiori et Burgensibus Burgi predicti et eoribus successoribus imperpetuum tenore presencium ratificamus et confirmamus parut littere predicte rationabiliter testantur. Incujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Westm' vicesimo primo die Februarii anno regni nostri primo.

21st February, 1510.

pro viginti et sex solidis et octo denariis solutis in havario. Waren.

Tot, Court Roll, M47.

A Roll of nine membranes, commencing with a small jury list.

Iohannes Bevery, Martinus Grose, Iohannes Holman, Rogerus Fursdon, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Ielys, Iohannes Swete, Iohannes Hakewyll (is struck out "because he is elected receiver"), Ricardus Bynford, Thomas Hamelyn, Iohannes Cosyn, Nicholaus Balle, Willelmus Fursdon.

14th October, 1510.

Magna Totnes. Court of Law held there on Monday before the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 2nd Henry VIII.

The ale-tasters without the east gate come and present that Iohanna Swete senior, Iohanna Ielys, Iohanna Swete junior, Willelmus Baker, Iohannes Ugan, Lucas Savery, Iohannes Bydelake, Iohannes Bowdon

wever, Iohannes Davy, Ricardus Martyn, Iohannes Renof, Iohannes Compyon, Iohannes Wylle, Iohannes Toker, Iacobus Blackaller, Willelmus Ielys, Petrus Englysh, Iohannes Tetford, Willelmus Muyge, and Willelmus Cosby brew ale and sell therefore they break the assize and are fined each 2*d*.

The ale-tasters within the gates come and present that Nicholaus Ball, Iohannes Kelowe, Willelmus Ayleward, Iohannes Bowdon tayllor. Iohannes Fetyn, Iacobus Hawkyn, Iohannes Ioet, Iohannes Bowregh, Matilda Holman, Rogerus Fursedon, Andreas Colyn, Willelmus Helyer and Walterus Flute brew ale and break the assize and are fined each 2*d*.

The ale-tasters without the west gate come and present that Ricardus Pelyton, Alicia Weke, Iohannes Ker, Cole Kerber and Thomas Goole brew ale and break the assize, fined each 2*d*.

Twelve for the King and for the service of the freedom (*et servicio libertatis*): Martinus Grose, Rogerus Fursedon, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Swete, Ricardus Bynford, Iohannes Cosyn, Nicholaus Ball, Willelmus Fursedon, Iohannes Seret, Iohannes Renof, Iacobus Blakaller, Willelmus Dean, Mattheus Drayton.

Who come, etc., and present to the office of provost for the year Ricardus Lovet.

Constables of the peace without the east gate: Iohannes Bowdon and Ricardus Skynner.

Constables within the gates: Andreus Colyn and Edwardus Dayes.

Constables without the west gate: Ambrosius Tarde and Willelmus Deyman.

Ale-tasters without the east gate: Willelmus Kynge and Iacobus Phelip.

Ale-tasters within the gates: Iohannes Bowdon and Willelmus Busshell.

Ale-tasters without the west gate: Robertus Monke and Robertus Davy at lake.

That Georgius Langemede is a common *holcrepper* between neighbours who accuse him; to be distrained.

That the road towards Lechewyll between the tenements of Iohannes Bydelake and of Robertus Monke is dangerous with wide and deep holes.

That Iohannes Lawre allows the pavement before his tenement without the west gate to be in bad repair therefore he is in mercy.

That the Abbat of Bucfaste allows the west gate beneath the tenement of the same Abbat to be in bad repair.

The provost presents that Galfridus Hakewyll who holds from the Lord certain lands and tenements died while seized about the time of the last

court and the right descends to whom it is not known, etc. 14½*d.* paid for relief.

The provost presents that Willelmus Gambon who held from the Lord a tenement with a garden died while seized about the time of the last court. And the right descends to Iohannes Samon and Elizabeth his sister as son and co-heir of the said Willelmus. 14½*d.* paid for relief.

At this court Robertus Monke is in mercy because he does not repair the road leading from the corner (*angulo*) of the house of Iohannes Bidelake without the west gate towards the Lechewyll which is with wide and deep holes to the danger of the subjects of the Lord King.

At this court Willelmus Hokemore senior, Rogerus Fursedon and the heirs of Galfridus Mayne are in mercy because they do not repair the highway towards *le Stulpe* which is dangerous.

At this court Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton and Nicholaus Snape are in mercy because they do not repair the highway leading from *le Gawloez* towards *Greyhodezyate*, etc.

At this court Robertus the Prior is in mercy because he does not repair the highroad leading from *Redyngpitt* towards *Stancombe*, etc.

At this court Iohannes Bonefannte is in mercy because he does not repair the way near Smalebruge on the south side and the south end of the same bridge.

Alicia Iones widow plaintiff against Iohannes Boughedon wever on a plea of debt.

Walterus Flute *per* Iohannes Ion his attorney plaintiff against Henricus Thorne on a plea of debt and is attached by one horse and freed on the surety of Iohannes Boughdon wever and Iohannes Cosyn.

Michelus Vydamore *per* Iohannes Ion his attorney plaintiff against Petrus Mesurer on a plea of debt and is attached by one pack (bale) of woollen cloth and liberated on the surety of Iohannes Bevery senior and Martinus Grose.

Iohannes Smale senior by surety of Thoma Hamelyn is in mercy for licence of agreement with Iohna Courtenay on a plea of debt.

Thoma Phelyp barbor *per* Willelmus Piperell his attorney plaintiff against Robertus Burlay on a plea of agreement broken, liberated on the surety of Iohannes Ion and Iohannes Wellyam bocher.

Rogerus Fursedon is in mercy because he is not present *versus* Walterus Flute on a plea of debt.

Petrus Provost plaintiff against Willelmus Fursedon on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Hokemore senior plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Voyse on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Hokemore senior plaintiff *versus* Thoma Cosyn on a plea of account.

Henricus Sampson *alias* Dureham plaintiff against Ricardus Bynemore and Wilmota his wife formerly the wife and executrix of the will of Iohannes Abraham on a plea of debt.

Inquiry between Iacobus Thomas plaintiff against Iohannes Hacker on a plea of agreement broken: arbitrators, Iohannes Ielys and Iohannes Hakewell. In default are Iohannes Symon, Iohannes Toker, Henricus Dureham, Thoma Bogyn, Willelmus Bevyshyll, Nicholaus de la Rue, Thomas Poncherd, Iohannes Fytton, Willelmus Alford, Iohannes Scote, Robertus Smyth, Radulfus Bourlegh, Iohannes Dyngell and Iohannes Tabert, each is fined 1*d*.

Ricardus Opy in mercy for licence of agreement with Regulus Gyffard helyer on a plea of debt.

Inquiry between Iohannes Hacker plaintiff against Iacobus Thomas and Iohanna his wife on a plea of trespass over his case is deferred on account of default of jurymen namely of Iohannes Walsdeman, Thoma Poncherd, Iohannes Fetyn, Iacobus Hawkyn, Thomas Franke, Iohannes Cole senior, Willelmus Durke, Willelmus Beryman, Willelmus Noseworthy, Thomas Bogyn, Iohannes Langemede and Willelmus Calde, each is fined 1*d*.

Ricardus Whyte and Iohanna his wife are in mercy for licence of agreement with Willelmus Deyman and Iohanna his wife on a plea of trespass.

Between Iohanna Swete junior widow plaintiff against Iohannes Andrwe on a plea of trespass. And the same Iohanna *per* Iohannes Somaster petitions to condemn him because he has left the court without any surety for his departure.

At this court 1 sheep with its lamb is in custody of Thoma Gowle as a stray at the festival of the Purification last.

Iohannes Martyn de Ayshprynton toker plaintiff against Iohannes Ion (later called "*alias* Davy") on a plea of debt and is attached for 2 *basens* and returned in the custody of the provost.

Iohannes Swete recognises to guarantee (*se tenere pro*) Iohna Swete junior to Iohannes Andrue in 40 *solidi* sterling to submit to the arbitration of Iohannes Ielys and Martinus Grose and Iohannes Andrue likewise guarantees Iohannes Swete junior (the termination of the Christian name

is so uncertain that it is difficult to decide whether the intention is John or Jonah).

Willelmus Peperell recognises to guarantee Thoma Phelipus, Robertus Burlegh and Iohannes Ion in 40*s.* to submit to the arbitration of Iohannes Bevery senior and Martinus Grose, and Robertus Burlegh and Iohannes Ion likewise guarantee Thoma Phelyp.

21st October, 1510. Assessors of the court, Ricardus Bynemore and Nicholaus Ball.

Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the year below.

Ricardus Bynemore plaintiff against Henricus Sampson in a plea of debt.

Willelmus Erysshe plaintiff against Christopher Blakall (subsequently written Blakehall) in a plea of debt.

Iohannes Bowdon wever plaintiff against Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton on a plea of deceit.

Iohannes Hakewyll plaintiff against Andreas Colyn on a plea of debt.

The constables of the peace within the gates are ordered to attach Georgius Langemede to answer to the Lord for trespass.

(Many cases brought forward from preceding courts).

Iacobus Thomas recognises to guarantee to Iohannes Hacker 40 *solidi* sterling to submit to the arbitration of Iohannes Ielys and Iohannes Hakewyll and the latter guarantees likewise the former.

4th November, 1510. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday before the festival of St. Leonard the Abbat in the above year. (The festival of St. Leonard, *i.e.* 6th November, to which this undoubtedly refers, is that of the Bishop and Confessor according to the Saxon Kalendar of Vitellius *circa* 1031. In a Kalendar, *Harl. Collect.*, said to be *temp.* Henry II and to have belonged to the Church of Exeter, the Saint is entered as Abbat and Confessor).

Walterus Flute plaintiff against Willelmus Helyer on a plea of debt.

(Other cases brought forward from preceding courts).

11th November, 1510. Magna Totneys. Court held on Monday the festival of St. Martin in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Willelmus Hacker plaintiff against Iohannes Hacker junior son of Iohannes Hacker senior on a plea of debt.

Ambrosius Tarde one of the constables of the peace without the west gate is in mercy because he does not come to serve the court in his official capacity (*in officio suo*), fined 2*d.*

Walterus Flute is in mercy because he is not present *versus* Henricus Thorne on a plea of debt.

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Willelmus Busshell one of the ale-tasters elected is in mercy because he does not come to receive office, fined 2*d.*

Iohannes Ion guarantees in full court before the Mayor in 40*d.* to pay Willelmus Peperell 6*s.* 8*d.* on the festival of the Purification next. Paid 6*s.* 8*d.* to the Mayor of Totton.

25th November, 1510.

Magna Totteneys. Court held on Monday the festival of St. Katherine the Virgin in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Iohna' Thorne *per* Iohannes Ion attorney plaintiff against Thomas Horewyll on a plea of debt. Attached and liberated on the surety of Willelmus Walys and Hugo Baron.

Iohannes Coke in mercy because he is not present *versus* Michelus Berward.

The constables of the peace without the east gate present that Iohannes Tetford attacked Iohannes Bydemore with 1 *bulecrodd.*

Iohannes Hacker junior son of Iohannes Hacker junior in mercy for licence of agreement with Willelmus Hacker in a plea of debt.

Petrus Profoste (name fully written) plaintiff against Willelmus Fursedon in a plea of debt.

2nd December, 1510.

Magna Totneys. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Andrew the Apostle in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Ielys plaintiff against Willelmus Noseworthy in a plea of trespass.

Katerina Dowse plaintiff against the same Willelmus (Noseworthy) on a plea of trespass.

Ambrosius Tarde one of the constables without the west gate and Andreas Colyn one of the constables within the gates do not come to serve the court, etc., each fined 2*d.*

16th December, 1510.

Magna Totteneys. Court held on Monday before the festival of St. Thomas the Apostle in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Henricus Fowhell plaintiff against Iohannes Skreche on a plea of trespass. Attached and liberated by surety of Iohannes Bowdon wever and Petrus Skreche.

Iohannes Willeam bocher plaintiff against Thoma Poncherd on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Fetyn plaintiff against the same Thoma (Poncherd) on a plea of debt.

The bailiff presents that one mare (*gradii coloris*) together with one male colt of a bay colour (*badii coloris*) are in the custody of Willelmus Voyse as strays since the festival of St. Michael last.

23rd December 1510. Magna Totneys. Court held on Monday before the festival of the Nativity of the Lord in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Ricardus Bovy on a plea of trespass. Is attached and liberated on the surety of Iohannes Bowdon wever and Iohannes Symon.

Matheus Langeston plaintiff against Willelmus Ielys on a plea of debt.

Thomas Luscomb *per* Iohannes Ion attorney plaintiff against Thoma Rowe junior in a plea of trespass. Is attached and liberated by surety of Iohannes Rowe senior and Andreas Colyn.

13th January, 1511. Magna Totneys. Court of law held on Monday the festival of St. Hillary the Bishop in the 2nd Henry VIII.

The ale-tasters without the west gate present that Alicia Wekys, Iohannes Cole, Ricardus Pelyton, brew and sell beer and thus break the assize, fined each 2*d*.

The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Iohannes Andrewe, Iohna' Swete senior, Alicia Baker. Iohna' Swete junior, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Bydelake, Iohannes Bowdon, Iohannes Compyon, Iohannes Toker, Iacobus Blacaller, Iohannes Wylle, Willelmus Ielys and Petrus Engelys brew and sell ale and thus break the assize, fined 2*d*.

The ale-tasters within the gates present that Nicholaus Balle, Thomas Gole, Thomas Hamlyn, Willelmus Elford, Iohannes Feton, Iacobus Haukynge, Iohannes Iote, Iohannes Toburgh (the capital is certainly a T although C might be suspected), Matilda Holman, Rogerus Fursseman and Willelmus Helyer brew and sell ale and thus break the assize, fined each 2*d*.

The bailiff presents that one horse (a gelding) of bay colour is in the custody of Willelmus Voyse having strayed on to the land of Iohannes Hervy at the festival of St. Michael last.

The constables of the peace within the gates present that Thomas Wolston insulted against the peace Andreas Collyn one of the constables of the peace there with a knife to the effusion of blood.

The constable of the peace without the east gate namely Iohannes Bowdon wever comes and presents that Walterus Kynge, Robertus Grye, Willelmus Eresy, and Thomas Franke insult against the peace Blanche the wife of Ricardus Garlond with their hands to the effusion of blood.

The constable of the peace without the west gate comes and presents nothing.

The bailiff presents that Ricardus Garlond has entered a tenement in Magna Tottenes on the north side of the King's highway (*Regie strate*)

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between the tenement of Iohannes Bydelake on the east side and the tenement of Iohannes Bevery on the west side and the garden of the wardens of the chapel of St. Edmund King on the bridge of Totton on the north side, whilst paying to the Lord 14½*d.* relief.

The same presents that Iohannes Holman has entered a tenement in Magna Tottenes situated on the north side of the King's highway between the tenement of Iohannes Bydelake, etc. (apparently the same house as above), paying to the Lord 14½*d.* relief.

Jury:

Iohannes Bevery senior, Martinus Grose, Iohannes Holman, Rogerus Furssedon, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Ielys, Iohannes Swete, Ricardus Byneford, Iohannes Cosyon, Nicholaus Balle, Matheus Drayton, Iohannes Perette, Willelmus Gylbert.

Who come and affirm all the above presents and further present that Thomasia Cohne who held from the Lord a tenement in Magna Totneys died about the time of the last court and the right descends to Willelmus and Iohannes sons and next heirs of the aforesaid Iohannes since they granted the Lord 14½*d.* relief.

That Iohanna wife of Thomas Ronchyn and Iohanna wife of Radulphus Bovy within the gates are common petty thieves and that Alicia wife of Iohannes Collyn de Tormowne undertook to purchase at the market 10 pounds of false woollen thread in place of 20 pounds by deceit. And that Iohannes Gowle wever is a common breaker of poll taxes [*fractor c*(should be *l*)*evagiorum et afportator eorundem vicinorum suorum*].

Willelmus Gybbes esquire in mercy because he does not appear *versus* Ricardus Wellyam on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Bydlake plaintiff against Iohannes Luscombe on a plea of debt and is attached by one belt of green colour ornamented with silver and gilt.

Simon Iamys plaintiff against Andreas Colyn on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Voyse plaintiff against Nicholas Bense on a plea of trespass.

Radulfus Laverans plaintiff against Thoma Hwysh and Iohannes Iohn on a plea of debt.

Andreas Colyn plaintiff against Thoma Wolston on a plea of trespass.

To this Court comes Thomas Cosyn and recognises his debt to Willelmus Hokemore senior of £76 sterling.

At this court Iohannes Laury is in mercy (2*d.*) because he has not yet repaired the road before his tenement without the west gate.

At this court the heirs of Galfridus Mayne are in mercy because they have not yet repaired the highway leading towards *le Sculpe.*

At this court Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton' and Nicholaus Snape are in mercy because they have not yet repaired the highway between *le gawlez* and *Greyhode is yate.*

At this court the same Robertus is in mercy because he has not yet repaired the highway between Redyngpitt and Stancomb.

Iohanes Bonyfannte is in mercy because he has not yet repaired the way near the Smalebruge on the south side and the south end of the same bridge.

Willelmus Bulle has not weighed his woollen thread at the standard weight (*ad standardum*) of the Lord King.

Assessors of the court, Iohannes Symon and Willelmus Fursedon.

20th January, 1511. Magna Totnes. Court held there on Monday before the festival of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Willelmus and Iohannes sons and next heirs of Thomasia Cohne and Elizabeth daughter and one of the heirs of Willelmus Gambon do homage to the Lord for their lands and tenements inherited by the death of their ancestors.

At this court the constables of the peace without the east gate are ordered to attach the persons (*attach' per corp'*) of Iohanna wife of Thoma Ronchyn and the constables within the gates *i.e.* Iohannes Andrue and Iohannes Franke to attach Iohanna wife of Radulfus Bovy and the constables without the west gate to attach Iohannes Gowle wever and all the constables of the ville to attach Alicia wife of Iohannes Collyn de Tormowne (probably Tormohun) and Willelmus Bulle to give account for sundry trespasses of which they stand accused.

3rd February, 1511. Magna Totnes. Court held there on Monday the morrow of the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Cros plaintiff against Thoma Hunte on a plea of trespass. He is attached and liberated on the security of Willelmus Noseworthy and Iohannes Frende.

Ricardus Fursedon plaintiff against Thoma Hamelyn.

Willelmus Erysh *per* Iohannes Ion attorney plaintiff against Christopher Blakaller on a plea of debt. And the same Christopher is at law as plaintiff against the same Willelmus that he does not owe him 10*s.* but 3*s.* 4*d.* which he recognises to pay him for 1 ox bought of him. He is not present neither *per* sureties Iohannes Swete and Iohannes Frende. Therefore a day is given, etc.

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Nicholas Vydemore plaintiff against Petrus Mesurer on a plea of debt and he is attached by 1 bale (*pak*) of white wool and by sureties Iohannes Bevery senior and Martinus Grose. And the aforesaid parties pledge that nothing is owing to him of the 153*s.* 4*d.* for land bought of Iusak (perhaps meant for Isaac) de Garnesy. An inquiry by Jury is summoned and Petrus Mesurer is to be represented by Ricardus Pelyton and Iohannes Mesurer.

10th February, 1511.

Magna Totneys. Court held there on Monday before the festival of St. Valentine the Martyr in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Andy plaintiff against Iohannes Martyn on a plea of debt. Sureties for latter Iohannes Swete and Iohannes Bowdon.

The case of Iohanna Swete junior widow plaintiff against Iohannes Andrwe on a plea of trespass. And Iohanna *per* her attorney Iohannes Somaster complains that Iohannes Andrwe on the 21st March 1510 near Magna Totton' by force namely with three *polys* and cudgels did with his servants at his command by means of a barge (*bargia*) belonging to the said Iohannes Andrwe broke a small boat (*batild* probably intended for *battellus*) of the plaintiff's to the damage and loss of 30*s.* And because the aforesaid Iohannes Andrwe does not defend the case but withdrew from the court without surety for leaving, the plaintiff through Iohannes Somaster her attorney petitions that he be condemned. And on this account the court considers that the said Iohannes Andrwe is guilty of the offence and the bailiff is ordered to summon four lawful men to value the damage against the next meeting of the court.

24th February, 1511.

Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday the festival of St. Mathias in the 2nd Henry VIII.

Thomas Poncherd plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Scaea on a plea of trespass.

Radulfus Laverans plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Stephyn on a plea of debt.

At this court came Iohannes Symon de Palston of the parish of Brente and claimed the mare of grey colour with a colt of bay colour in the custody of Willelmus Voyse taken as strays on the festival of St. Michael the Archangel last to be his property and paid 2*d.* for the custody of same.

Iohannes Bydelake plaintiff against Iohannes Luscombe on a plea of debt attached for one silver mounted belt. And the bailiff informs that Willelmus Noseworthy and Edwardus Deyes value it at 14*s.* 6*d.*

To this court comes Willelmus Bulle by surety of Martinus Grose and Iohannes Ieot and gives the Lord as fine for respiting a certain trespass of which he is accused, 12*d.*

Iohannes Swete senior is in mercy because he reproved the seneschal sitting in full court saying that he is false. Fined 12*d.*

3rd March, 1511. Magna Totneyes. Court held there on Monday after the festival of St. David the Bishop in the year below mentioned.

Robertus Burlegh and Wilmota his wife *per* Ricardus Peliton attorney plaintiff against Willelmus Raynold on a plea of detention and is attached *per* 1 *pak de mar' ware* and liberated on the surety of Martinus Grose and Willelmus Voyse.

Simon Iamys plaintiff against Andreas Colyn on a plea of debt and is attached by surety of Iohannes Bevery senior and Iohannes Wylle.

17th March, 1511. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Gregory the Pope in the year below mentioned.

Iohannes Voyse plaintiff against Willelmus Phelip on a plea of debt and is attached in person and liberated by surety of Willelmus Hokemore senior and Iohannes Cosyn.

The constables of the peace without the west gate are absent on this day. Fined 4*d.*

The constables without the east gate present that Thoma Burges attacked (*jus fecit super*) Michelus Bretyn with 1 *Fryeng pan.*

The provost presents that Iohannes Bevery senior for seven *libri* sterling paid has acquired from Iohannes Austyn a mesuage and garden with appurtenances in Magna Tottenes situated between the tenement of the heirs of Hengiston on the east side and the tenement of the parish church of the Blessed Mary of Magna Totton on the west side and the highway (*regia*; the word *via* is omitted) of the ville on the north side for which he has paid relief to the Lord 14½*d.* and thus is admitted and did homage.

To this court came Ricardus Catros and claims on the surety of Ricardus Skynner and Willelmus Muyge (elsewhere Muygge) 1 horse gelding of bay colour in the custody of Willelmus Voyse to be his own chattel and gives for the keep (of the stray) 2*d.*

24th March, 1511. Magna Totneys. Court held there on Monday the eve of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin in the year above mentioned.

Ricardus Garlonde plaintiff *versus* Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton on a plea of agreement broken.

Willelmus Ayleward plaintiff *versus* Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton on a plea of trespass who is attached by surety of Iohannes Swete and Willelmus Gylberd who do not produce defendant therefore are fined 4*d.*

The same Willelmus *versus* the same Robertus on a plea of bodily harm (*nocumenti*).

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Iohannes Savery plaintiff *versus* Henricus Pytman on a plea of debt and is attached in person and liberated by surety of Matheus Langeston and Walterus Ayleward.

Willelmus Ayleward plaintiff *versus* Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton on a plea of trespass who is attached by surety of Thoma Erasy and Willelmus Helyer who do not produce defendant and are fined 4*d.*

7th April, 1511.

Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday *7th April* (first instance of actual date of month) in the year as below.

Henricus Drue plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Malage on a plea of debt. Attached and liberated on the surety of Iohannes Bevery senior and Iohannes Frende.

Iohannes Pers plaintiff *versus* Alicia Baker on a plea of trespass. Attached and liberated on the surety of Nicholaus Sampson and Willelmus Voyse.

Willelmus Beryman plaintiff *versus* Radulphus Bovy on a plea of trespass.

Willelmus Walys plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Lydeston on a plea of agreement broken and is attached by the bailiff *per* 5lbs. of white woollen yarn.

Ricardus Garlond acknowledges a guarantee to Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton of ten *libri* sterling and undertakes to submit to the arbitration of Iohannes Swete and Iohannes Hakewyll with the advice of Iohannes Gylbert on condition that judgment be given before Easter next. And the said Robertus Hyll similarly guarantees.

14th April, 1511

Magna Totneys. Court held on Monday 14th April in the 2nd Henry VIII.

(Both Ricardus Pelyton and Iohannes Pelyton are mentioned together as attorneys).

Iohannes Renof plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Wylle on a plea of debt.

The constables within the gates fined 2*d.* for non attendance at the court.

5th May, 1511.

Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday after the festival of the Invention of the Holy Cross the 5th May in the 3rd Henry VIII.

The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Iohannes Andrue, Iohna Swete senior, Iohna Swete junior, Alicia Baker widow, Iohannes Ugan, Lucas Savery, Matheus Vosyoer, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Bydelake, Petrus Renof (pays 6*d.*), Iohannes Renof, Iohannes Bowdon wever, Iohannes Compyon, Willelmus Baron, Iohannes Wylle, Iohannes Toker, Willelmus Ielys, Iacobus Blakaller, Iohannes Tetford and Petrus

Englysh brew and sell ale and thus break the assize: each fined 2*d.* (except P. Renof, 6*d.*).

The ale-tasters within the gates present that Nicholaus Balle, Thomas Goole, Thomas Hamelyn, Iohannes Kelowe, Iohannes (name omitted), Iacobus Haukyn, Iohannes Iohet, Willelmus Helyer, Rogerus Fursedon and Matilda Holman brew and sell ale and thus break the assize: each fined 2*d.*

The ale-tasters without the west gate present that Alicia Weke, Iohannes Cole, Willelmus Durke and Ricardus Pelyton brew and sell ale, etc. Each fined 2*d.* (except W. Durke, who for some reason, pays 6*d.*).

Twelve for the King and for the Lord of the freedom:

Iohannes Holman, Iohannes Swete, Ricardus Byneford, Nicholaus Balle, Iohannes Symon, Iohannes Seret, Willelmus Gylbert, Willelmus Baron, Willelmus Noseworthy, Matheus Drayton, Iohannes Bevy junior, Iohannes Ioet, sworn in by Lucas Savery.

The jury came and confirmed all the previous, etc., and further say—

That Thomas Corbyn of the parish of Milton in Devon is a common *regrator* (one who buys and sells in the same market, thus raising the price —in feudal times a criminal offence) of woollen yarn.

That Ricardus Grey without the west gate and Margareta Herte *in domo sua que viunt suspessme in eoribus corporibus tamen contra mandatum Dei quam legem tang' unde accus'. Et dis'e os.*

That "Adryan the Leche" with a certain "Margeria Frenshwoman," etc., *et custod' in domo sua vigil' per noctem.* Pardoned by the court on the surety of Iohannes Swete senior and Galfridus Hakewyll.

That Agnes Vanncefyld is a common *vigil' in nocte* to the danger of her neighbours. Pardoned by the court on the surety of Nicholaus Ball and Thoma Erasy.

That Iacobus Thomas without the east gate and David Gasquyne without the east gate are common card players (*ludator' ad cardes*) to the harm of their neighbours.

That Petrus Renof without the east gate is a common hunter with dogs (*venator cum canibus*) and breaks the hedges of his neighbours.

At this court came Iohannes Lawry by surety of Iohannes Holman and is given a day to repair the road before his tenement without the west gate which is dangerous, before the festival of St. Michael the Archangel next, under a penalty of 20*d.*

At this court the heirs of Galfridus Mayne are fined 6*d.* because they do not repair the highway leading towards *le Stulpe* which is dangerous.

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At this court Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton is fined 10*d.* and Nicholaus Snape 10*d.* because they have not yet repaired the highway between *le Gawloes* and *Greyhode is yate.*

The same Robertus is fined 10*d.* because he has not yet repaired the highway between *Redyngfitt* and *Stancomb.*

Iohannes Bonyfannte is fined 4*d.* for not yet repairing the way near the *Smalebruge* on the south side and the south end of the same bridge.

The constable without the east gate presents that Iohannes Morles servant of Iohannes Ugan insulted Iohannes Ugan with his fist to the shedding of blood.

The constables without the west gate and within the gates present that all is well (*quod omnia bene*).

Iohannes Symon fined 1*d.* because he does not appear *versus* Willelmus Willyam on a plea of trespass.

Matheus Langeston plaintiff against Christofer Buntyng on a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Hakewell plaintiff *versus* Andreas Colyn on a plea of debt.

Ricardus Laverans plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Swete senior on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Deyman and Iohanna his wife plaintiffs *versus* Willelmus Durke and Agneta his wife on a plea of debt.

Nicholaus Bense in mercy for licence of agreement with Iohannes Voyse on a plea of trespass: fined 2*d.*

Assessors of the court: Iohannes Symon and Willelmus Noseworthy.

1511. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday 12th May in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Andrue plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Swete senior on a plea of trespass.

The same plaintiff *versus* Iohanna Swete junior widow on a like plea.

Ricardus Pelyton plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Hokemore senior on a plea of trespass: and is attached per a gelding horse of black colour and liberated on the surety of Martinus Grose and Iohannes Cosyn.

All constables are ordered to attach the person of Thoma Corbyn formerly of the parish of Milton to answer for trespasses of which he is accused.

The constables without the west gate are ordered to attach the persons of Ricardus Grey and a certain Margareta Herte.

The constables without the east gate are ordered to attach the persons of Iacobus Thomas, David Gasquyn (per surety of Iohannes Renof and I. Feryn), and Petrus Renof to answer accusations, etc.

To this court came "Adrian the Surgyn" per surety of Iohannes Swete senior and Iohannes Hakewell (fined 5*s.*) and there came Agnes Vanncefild by surety of Nicholaus Ball and Thoma Erasy (fined 6*s.* 8*d.*) and pay to the Lord fines as above for the transgressions of which they are separately accused.

The provost presents that Iohannes Kyrkeham knight, Willelmus Chudleigh, Willelmus Fortescue de Wode knight and Nicholaus Snape acquire from Iohannes Rowe de Kynngston all mesuages, lands and tenements, etc., in Ayschperton, Est Teyngmouth, West Teyngmouth, Briggetowne-pomeray and Magna Tottenes which lands, etc., with the assistance of Rogerus Holand and Georgius Whytyng, now defunct, were recovered *versus* Thoma Cosyn at the King's Court, etc., on payment to the Lord of the fee relief, etc., paid 14½*d.*

1511. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday 26 May in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Willelmus Beryman plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Whyte chaplain on a plea of trespass in his case: is attached in person and liberated on the surety of Martinus Grose and Iohannes Frende.

Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Ricardus Bodemede on a plea of trespass. Sureties, Iohannes Symon and Willelmus Walys.

Iohannes Austyn fined 3*d.* because not present *versus* Thomas Skynner on a plea of trespass.

Thomas Skynner is fined 3*d.* because not present *versus* Iohannes Austyn on a plea of false representation.

Willelmus Voyse plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Ielys on a plea of trespass in his case.

The provost presents that Willelmus Hokemore junior, Iohannes Gylis, Iohannes Hakewyll, Alanus Hakewyll, Iohannes Bevy junior, and Nicholaus Ball acquire from Ricardus Ferrys and Nicholaus Aysshford a certain empty piece of land 33 feet long by 16 feet wide situated in Magna Totton' and adjoining the vicarage of Totton on the north side, the curtilage (yard) of the said vicarage on the east side and the high street of Totton on the south side and the tenement of the heirs of Lytelton on the west side which empty site was formerly the chapel of St. Nicholaus. To have, etc., rendering to the Lord of the fee relief 14½*d.*

(*quequedam vacua placea quendam fuit capella Sancti Nicholai:* the reading perhaps may be interpreted as the site of the chapel rather than which formerly belonged to: it is interesting as identifying the site of this chapel).

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Iohannes Andrwe plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Swete senior on a plea of trespass by surety of Petrus Rewes and Pety Ion Iunes.

To this court came Thoma Corbyn formerly of the parish of Milton by surety of Iohannes Hakewyll and Edwardus Dayes: is fined 6*s*. 8*d*. And Ricardus Grey by surety of Willelmus Hokemore and Willelmus Deyman: fined 4*d*. And a certain Margareta Hert by surety of Willelmus Hokemore and Willelmus Deyman: fined 4*d*. And David Gasquyn by surety of Iohannes Renof and Iohannes Feren: fined 4*d*.

Ricardus Garlond *per* Iohannes Renof his attorney plaintiff *versus* Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton, who is represented by Iohannes Somaster his attorney, on a plea of agreement broken.

Willelmus Walys plaintiff *versus* Willelmus Lydeston on a plea of agreement broken: is attached *per* 5½ *lib* of white woollen yarn valued at 3½*d*. per lb. thus assessed by Willelmus Torryng and Petrus Rewys.

1511. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 2nd June in the 3rd Henry VIII. The provost presents that Willelmus Hokemore senior, Iohannes Bydelake, Martinus Grose, Willelmus Hokemore junior, Iohannes Hakewell, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Ielys, and Iohannes Holman acquire from Robertus More and Iohanna his wife, one of the coheirs of Thoma Hamelyn father of the aforesaid Iohanna now deceased, all their share in one tenement with garden adjoining situated in Magna Totton without the west gate near *le Rothernefod*, as appears in the same deed while paying to the Lord as relief 14½*d*. and doing homage.

Iacobus Dyer in mercy (fined 3*d*.) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Wynchelsee on a plea of deceit.

Radulfus Bovy plaintiff against Nicholaus Sampson on a plea of debt.

The constable of the peace without the east gate presents that Petrus Rewes (fined 6*d*.) attacked Iohannes Feron with his fist to the effusion of blood. And that Iacobus Thomas (fined 6*d*.) attacked Walterus Elford (a blank space for some official) of the Mayor in the execution of his office. And that Iohanna (fined 6*d*.) wife of the said Iacobus attacked the same Walterus, in the execution of his office, with a stone.

To this court came Iacobus Thomas (fined 12*d*.) by surety of Petrus Engelysh and Iohannes Bowedon. And there came Petrus Renof (fined 4*d*.) by surety of Iohannes Andrue and Ricardus Skynner.

Radulphus Laverans plaintiff against Iohannes Swete senior on a plea of debt and is attached by the bailiff in 1 iron beam for weighing (1 *beme ferr pro wyghtes*).

1511. Magna Tottenes. Court held there on Monday 16th June in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Walterus Smethe plaintiff *versus* Andreas Colyn on a plea of debt.

The constable of the peace without the east gate presents that Petrus Renof (fined 6*d.*) attacked Nicholaus Hotyrer with his fist to the effusion of blood. And that Iohanna wife of Pety Ion Iunes attacked Petrus Rewes with her hand seizing him by the hair.

Willelmus Deyman plaintiff *versus* Henricus Helyer *alias* Glover in a plea of trespass: and is attached *per* a black horse and liberated on the surety of Willelmus Hokemore senior and Willelmus Voyse.

23rd June, 1511. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday the Eve of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Robertus Aylleward plaintiff against Andreas Colyn on a plea of trespass: and is attached *per* 1 calf and liberated on the surety of Iohannes Wellyam bocher and Rogerus Toly.

Iohannes Fetyn plaintiff against Ricardus Grey on a plea of trespass.

Willelmus Merygame is in mercy for trespass done to Iohannes Cosyn by taking and wearing his woollen cloak (*canusia*) value 12*d.* to the damage of 3*d.* as assessed by Iohannes Ponntayn and Nicholaus Videmore on oath: and the same Willelmus is committed to custody in default of surety.

Petrus Rewes plaintiff against Iohannes Ferannte and Iohanna his wife on a plea of trespass.

7th July, 1511. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Crossyng *per* Iohannes Ion his attorney plaintiff against Robertus Mede on a plea of trespass and is attached *per* 1 grey horse and committed to custody of bailiff.

Nicholaus Seymore plaintiff against Christofer Blakaller on a plea of debt. Sureties, Iohannes Swete and Iohannes at Style.

Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Simon Iamys on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Wylliam *alias* Cholewyll plaintiff against Edwardus Days on a plea of agreement broken.

The same Willelmus plaintiff against Iohannes Andrwe on a plea of detention.

The constable of the peace without the east gate presents that Willelmus Gelys attacked Ricardus Hillond with a cudgel which drew blood.

14th July, 1511. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr in the above year.

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Nicholaus Sampson plaintiff against Radulphus Bovy in a plea of trespass. Sureties; (name scratched out) and Matheus Drayton.

Edwardus Tokerman plaintiff against Henricus Skreche on a plea of debt. Sureties: Henricus Luscomb and Matheus Drayton.

Edwardus Tokerman and Iohannes Tokerman plaintiffs against the aforesaid Henricus (Skreche) on a plea of trespass. Surety for presence: Ricardus Pelyton.

Willelmus Browse *per* R. Pelyton plaintiff against Robertus Page on a plea of debt. Sureties: Iohannes Frende and Walterus Elford.

Iohannes Holman plaintiff against Ricardus Brodemede on a plea of trespass. And since the same Iohannes complains that Ricardus on 6th November 2nd Henry VIII at Magna Totton by force namely with a cudgel and dagger broke into the close of the said Iohannes called Peatlylmyll at Totton and damaged the grass and trees and underwood and consumed what was formerly growing there with his cattle from the said 6th November until the 10th May last and did other enormities to damage to the said Iohannes amounting to 40*s*. Ricardus Brodemede is defended by his attorney Ricardus Pelyton and the defendant finds sureties: Iohannes Symon and Willelmus Walys. And a jury of 12 is summoned namely Radulfus Bovy, Iohannes Fetyn, Nicholaus Alyn, Thoma Upcot, Nicholaus Vydemore, Nicholaus Sampson, Iohannes Andy, Iohannes Pontanys, Willelmus Gyffard, Nicholaus Hawlyre, Iohannes Ferant, and Thomas Ponchard, who declare on oath that the said Ricardus Brodemede is guilty of the said trespass and assess damages at 5*s*. and 3*s*. expenses which is to be paid.

28th July, 1511.

Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday before the festival of S. Peter called *ad vincula* in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Henricus Dureham plaintiff *versus* Ricardus Grey on a plea of trespass.

Thomas Cole plaintiff *versus* Christofer Buntyng.

Thomas Hext plaintiff against Ricardus Boole on a plea of debt. Sureties: Iohannes Vetyll and Willelmus Voyse.

Thomas Hamelyn plaintiff against Ricardus Whyte and Iohanna his wife on a plea of debt.

Nicholaus Myller *per* I. Ion his attorney plaintiff against Petrus Englysh on a plea of debt.

The constable without the west gate presents that Christofer Buntyng attacked Iohanna wife of Iohannes Cole with his fist and drew blood. And that Willelmus Calde without the west gate attacked Ambrosius

Tarde one of the constables with a carving knife (*cum uno trancher*) in the execution of his office.

Enquiry between Iohanna Swete junior widow and Iohannes Andrwe defendant in a plea of trespass: the following (jury or witnesses) are in default: Willelmus Torryng, Iohannes Pontayne, Robertus Saunder, Iohannes Feron, Rogerus Tole, Iohannes Cole junior, Petrus Rewes and Iohannes Wellyam wever: each is fined 1*d*.

4th August, 1511. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Peter called *ad vincula* in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Iohannes Crossyng *per* Iohannes Ion his attorney plaintiff *versus* Ricardus Cole on a plea of trespass and is attached *per* a mare of grey colour.

Willelmus Ayleward Mayor of the ville of Totton plaintiff *versus* Iohannes Scae on a plea of trespass.

(Fastened to membrane by a pin of early make are two small pieces of paper one a list of Jury the other an account of case).

Jury *per* Iohannes Andrew playntyffe and Iohannes Sewet deffendant.

Iohannes Frenssche, Iohannes Fetton, Iohannes Ferrant, Nycolas Gelbert, Nycholas Samssan, Iamys Thomas, Thomas Ponchard, Wyllelmus Mugge, Peter Rennoff, Peter Snyllesch, Iohannes Assche, Thomas Colle, Iohannes Rete, Iohannes Ogane, Harre Deram, Iamys Hawken, Robartus Sander, Thomas Well, who say on oath that the aforesaid Iohannes is guilty and assess damages at 3*s*. and expenses at 2*s*.

In English. This shewith yowe John Andrwe *per* K p s attorney and hys complaynyth uppon John Swete ye elder y^{t} y is, etc., in a plea of trans-(gression) ffor as muche as ye said defendant wrongfully came in and uppon the garden (*frehold* crossed out) of ye said plaintiff here at Grete Totton' which in the jur' of y^{is} cot (court ?) the XX day of September in the 1st year Henry VIII with force and arms *viz* gladys and fustibus, etc., *contra pacem dicti domini R.* and a certayn bote moryd and steyid unto ye garden hegg of the said plaintiff by the said defendant unmowryd and unsteyd the said bote to do his ned (need) with any y^{t} (which) so don wrongfully and w^{t} owte licence mowryd and steyid ye said bote agayn to ye hegge of the said plaintiff and so came yn and yorough (through) the said garden of ye said pleyntif w^{t} owte h^{s} licence wrongfully and of harmes and hurt there then and at y^{t} tyme he did unto ye said plaintiff to ye damages of XL*s*. sterling *et unde producit sectam*, etc. (the scribe finishes in Latin). Sureties: Petrus Rewes and Pety Ion Iunes.

To distrain Iohannes Symon and Willelmus Walys as sureties for Ricardus Brodemede in 12 *cardes de Rone* and one *Kowbryn VI galon* to the

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satisfaction of Iohannes Holman for 5*s.* damages and 3*s.* allowed for expenses.

18th August, 1511.

Magna Tottenes. Court held there on Monday next after the festival of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary.

Petrus Englysch in mercy (fined 1*d.*) for licence of agreement with Nicholaus Myller on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Calde by surety of Iohannes Bowdon wever and Willelmus Deyman came and paid 4*d.* fine for attacking the constable Ambrosius Tarde with a carving knife.

Nicholaus Appulton *per* Ricardus Pelyton his attorney plaintiff against Edwardus Iay on a plea of debt. Surety: Iohannes Hakewyll.

Rogerus Toly plaintiff against Willelmus Alford on a plea of trespass.

The constable within the gates presents that Willelmus Alford attacked Rogerus Toly with his fists and drew blood.

25th August, 1511.

Magna Totnes. Court held there Monday after the festival of St. Bartholomew the Apostle.

The provost presents that Iohannes Holman (did homage) and Robertus Erle acquire from Iohannes Cohne all mesuages lands, etc., in Magna Totnes paying to the Lord relief 14½*d.*

8th September, 1511.

Magna Totnes. Court held there Monday the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The bailiff in mercy because he has not produced Robertus Erle to do homage to the Lord for lands, etc., acquired in Magna Totnes: fined 3*d.*

Willelmus Ayleward Mayor of the ville of Totton (again mentioned).

Enquiry between Iohannes Andrwe plaintiff and Iohanna Swete junior widow defendant on a plea of trespass: again deferred owing to the following being in default: Iacobus Bascawyn, Willelmus Beryman, Willelmus Helyer, Iacobus Thomas, Ricardus Grey, Nicholaus Sampson, Nicholaus Videmore, Iohannes Ryke, and Iohannes Vonever: each is fined 1*d.*

Again in the same case the following jury make default: Iacobus Boscawyn, Robertus Saunder, Iohannes Feron, Iohannes Cole junior, Petrus Rwes [*sic*], and Iohannes Wellyam wever: each is fined 1*d.*

15th September, 1511.

Magna Totneys. Court held there on Monday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross in the 3rd Henry VIII.

Willelmus Ayleward Mayor of the ville of Magna Totton (again mentioned).

6th July. At Plympton, Bishop Oldham on the free resignation of

Edwardus Wylsford, professor of sacred theology, admitted Edward Howell, Master of Arts, to the parish church of Dertyngton.

1512. 15th February. In the chapel of S. Mary within his residence without Temple Bar (*extra barras novi templi*) situated in London, Bishop Hugo Oldham received Lord Willelmus Tomson frater of the house of Honslow of the order of the Holy Trinity who had been excommunicated on account of intrusion into the chapel of Warlond and "with bended knees" submitted to the correction and jurisdiction of the Bishop in the presence of Adam Wilcock notary, Magister Iohannes Veysy Doctor of Laws Dean of the Cathedral, Ricardus Tollet Doctor of Laws Canon of the said Cathedral, Egidius Coldale and Willelmus Daniell chaplains and others.

And on the 23rd February appeared Frater Ricardus Richardson of the house of Honslow and submitted to the Bishop (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

23rd February. By Dean Rogerus Sondisforth in the absence of Bishop Oldham, Lord Iohannes Hervena chaplain was admitted to the chantry of St. Edmund on the bridge of Totton, on the free resignation of Lord Thoma Colecott and on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecomb patron.

21st December. On the free resignation of Lord Iohannes Hervena, the Vicar-General admitted Lord Willelmus Chapell chaplain to the chantry of St. Edmund on the bridge of Totton. Patron, Sir Petrus Eggecomb (*ibidem*).

One long and one short membrane stitched together.

Tot. Court Roll, M48. 18th October, 1512. Magna Totnes.

Extract of court of law held on Monday the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist in the 4th Henry VIII.

(The entries are evidently by another scribe than the roll for 1511, and entered in a more abbreviated and neater manner).

The following pay 2*d*. fine for brewing ale (there is no mention of ale-tasters' report, district from which they come, or breaking the assize as in former rolls).

Alicia Webes, Ricardus Pyleton, Thoma Gowle, Nicholaus Ball, Iohannes Kelowe, Willelmus Ayleward, Iohannes Bowdon, Iohannes Fetyn, Iacobus Hawkyn, Willelmus Voyse, Iohannes Ioet, Matilda Holman, Agneta Fursedon, Willelmus Helier, Petrus Englysh, Iohanna Doke widow, Iohannes Tetford, Iacobus Blacaller, Iohannes Toker, Iohannes Renof, Iohannes Bydelake, Willelmus Cosby, Luca Savery, Matheus Voficer, Iohannes Voficer, Iohna Swete widow, Eduardus Iay, Iohannes Ogan, Ricardus Skynner, Iohanna Bowdon widow, Iohannes

Compyon, Iohannes Wylle, Willelmus Gyles, Robertus Elford, Iacobus Vera and Willelmus Martyn.

Ricardus Foughell fined 6*s.* 8*d.* for not coming to take up the office of provost to which he was elected.

Iohannes Vetell incurs penalty of 10*s.* for keeping dogs in his tenement to the great danger of the subjects of the Lord King.

Nicholaus Snape fined 8*d.* for not yet repairing the road leading from *le gallowes* towards Brente.

Iohannes Bourgchyer Lord Fitzwaryn (fined 12*d.*) and Thoma Herasy (fined 8*d.*) for not repairing the road leading from *Houndeswyll* towards *Redyngpitte.*

The heirs of Galfridus Mayne (fined 6*d.*) for not repairing the road towards *le Stulpe.*

Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton (fined 12*d.*) and Nicholaus Snape (fined 12*d.*) for not repairing the road between *le Galowes* and *Greyhodesyate.*

Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton (fined 2*s.*) for not yet repairing the road between *Redyngpitt* and *Stancombe near Fenbruge.*

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Iohannes Vetyll at the instance of Walterus Ayleward on a plea of debt.

The bailiff (fined 4*d.*) for not attaching Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton at the instance of Ricardus Pyleton on a plea of taking goods unjustly.

The bailiff (fined 4*d.*) for not attaching Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton at the instance of Nicholas Sampson on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff (fined 4*d.*) for not attaching Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton and Thoma Herasy at the instance of Ricardus Pyleton on a plea of trespass. (The above is entered twice perhaps in error).

Thomas Hunte (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Willelmus Drue on a plea of debt.

The same Thomas (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with the same Willelmus on a plea of agreement broken.

Thomas Upcot (fined 2*d.*) because he is not present against Iohannes Ferannte on a plea of debt.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he has not attached Simon Iames at the instance of Matheus Langeworthy and Elizabeth his wife on a plea of detention.

The bailiff (fined 6*d.*) because he has not levied 5*s.* expenses from Iohannes Swete senior to the need (*ad opus*) of Iohannes Andrue.

Master Willelmus Gelys Vicar there and Willelmus Hokemore cofeofees

(pay 14½*d.*) on acquiring from Iohannes Bevery senior 2 tenements with 2 gardens.

25th October, 1512. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of the Apostles Simon and Iude.

Ricardus Fowghell (again fined 6*s.* 8*d.*) for not accepting the office of provost.

The bailiff (fined 3*d.*) because he has not attached Willelmus Draper at the instance of Iohannes Symure on a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Mochell (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Hacker senior on a plea of trespass.

8th November, 1512. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of St. Leonard Abbat.

The constable without the east gate (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching the person of Willelmus Downyng to answer to the Lord for trespass.

15th November, 1512. Extract of court held Monday after the festival of St. Martin the Bishop.

Iohannes Frende and Iohannes Keys (fined 4*d.*) because they do not produce Ricardus Hyllond at the instance of Ricardus Skynner on a plea of trespass in his case.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Scae at the instance of Iohannes Belworthy on a plea of detention.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Iacobus Hawkyn at the instance of Iohannes Luke on a plea of debt.

29th November, 1512. Extract of court held on Monday the Eve of St. Andrew the Apostle.

Ricardus Hyllonde (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Ricardus Skynner on a plea of trespass in his case.

6th December, 1512. Extract of court held on Monday the festival of St. Nicholaus the Bishop.

Henricus Sullok (fined 14½*d.*) because he set at liberty for Iohanna wife of Ricardus Pyleton and Willelmus Cohne 6 horses and colts taken near Overfolaton for trespass.

Iohannes Vofycer one of the constables without the east gate is fined 3*d.* for default on this day.

Ricardus Garlond, is fined 2*d.* for detaining 11*s.* 9½*d.*, plaintiff *versus* Andreas Hillerysdon on a plea of debt.

20th December, 1512. Extract of court held on Monday the Eve of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Iohannes Andrwe and Robertus Andrwe (fined 1*d.*) because they do not present Iohannes Rowe junior on a plea of taking and detaining goods and chattels.

Robertus Sawnder and Willelmus Voyse (fined 4*d.*) because they do not produce Iohannes Underhay at the instance of Robertus Farewyll on a plea of trespass in his case.

Willelmus Atburgh (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Hacker senior on a plea of agreement.

(Several entries very obscure owing to discoloration of parchment).

10th January, 1513. Extract of court of law held on Monday after the festival of the Epiphany in the 4th Henry VIII.

Alicia Wekes, Ricardus Pyleton, Nicholaus Ball, Isabella Vofycer, Thoma Hamelyn, Willelmus Ayleward, Iohannes Kelowe, Iohannes Fetyn, Iacobus Hawkyn, Iohannes Bowdon, Willelmus Voyse, Iohannes Ioet, Matilda Holman, Agnes Fursdon, Thoma Gowle, Willelmus Helyer, and Thomas Hamelyn (4*d.*), sell ale by wine measure and are therefore in mercy.

(Fined 2*d.* each unless otherwise noted).

Petrus Englysh, Iohanna Doke, Iohannes Tetforde, Iacobus Blakaller, Iohannes Toker, Iohannes Renof, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Bydelake, Iohanna Swete widow, Iohannes Ogan, Iohanna Bowdon widow, Iohannes Compyon, Iohannes Wylle, Willelmus Gyles, Petrus Rewes, Iacobus Vera, and Iohannes Davy because they brew ale (fined 2*d.* each).

Alicia wife of Simon Iamys (fined 6*d.*) for attacking Iohannes Hacker senior with a rod to the shedding of blood.

The same Alicia (fined 6*d.*) for attacking Robina daughter of the said Iohannes (Hacker senior) with a key to the shedding of blood.

Gelam Noty (fined 6*d.*) for attacking Dionisia Eryshman with her teeth to the effusion of blood.

Iohna Bowdon (fined 14½*d.*) because he set at liberty for Iohannes Davy one mare and one horse taken from the said Iohannes for trespass done.

17th January, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of St. Hillary.

Iohannes Underhay (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Robertus Farewyll on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Ion (fined 1*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Iohannem Grogeworthy on a plea of trespass.

Willelmus Helyer (fined 1*d.*) for licence of agreement with Willelmus Hukesham on a plea of debt.

1513. Extract of court held on Monday 31st January.

Willelmus Goole (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Robertus Harry on a plea of agreement.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Iohannes Vetyll at the instance of Thoma Hamelyn for debt.

Iohannes Symon (fined 3*d.*) for not producing Iohannes Martyn to answer to the Lord for trespass.

7th February, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of the Purification of the Blessed Mary.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Edwardus Days at the instance of Willelmus Hokemore senior on a plea of trespass.

Christopher Pullesford by surety of Bernardus Watts and Willelmus Voyse for a fine for trespass.

Iohannes Martyn on the surety of Iohannes Symon and Willelmus Voyse for a fine for trespass.

21st February, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of St. Matthias Apostle.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Iohanna Bowedon widow, executrix of the will of Iohannes Bowdon, at the instance of Iohannes Ion on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Hacker junior by surety of Thoma Upcot and Nicholaus Roger for a fine for trespass.

28th February, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday the Eve of St. David Bishop.

Iohannes Fetyn and Iohannes Wellyam bocher (fined 4*d.*) because they do not produce Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton at the instance of Willelmus Ayleward on a plea of trespass.

14th March, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of St. Gregory the Pope.

Ricardus Smyth (fined 6*d.*) by surety of Willelmus Walys and Nicholaus Alyn because he attacked Iohannes Hacker junior with a cudgel to the shedding of blood.

The constable without the east gate (fined 4*d.*) for default at this court.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Henricus Foughell at the instance of Willelmus Hokemore junior on a plea of trespass.

21st March, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary.

The constables without the west gate, within the gates and without the east gate are in each case fined 4*d.* for default at this court. (Presumably therefore no constable was present).

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Henricus Fowell at the instance of Iohannes Ion on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Iohannes Vetyll at the instance of Iohannes Swete widow on a plea of detention.

Endorsed in English: "Resseved off Iohannes Vettel for merssimentys 22*d.*"

1513. 6th March. On the death of Lord Thoma Choldewill, Bishop Oldham admitted Walterus Copleston to the perpetual chantry or free chapel of the Blessed Mary of Waysburn' on the presentation of Iohannes Crokker esquire and Thomas Copleston gentleman (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

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Tot. Court Roll, M49. 1513. Extract of law court held on Monday in the XV (*quindenna*) of Easter in the 4th Henry VIII.

Alicia Wekes, Ricardus Pylaton, Thoma Gowle, Iohna Vynedict, Michelus Ball, Isabella Mak, Thoma Hamelyn, Willelmus Elford, Iohannes Fetyn, Iacobus Hawkyn, Iohannes Ioet, Iohannes Willeam bocher (6*d.*), Willelmus Voyse, Olyf Langeston, Thoma Upcote, Matilda Holman, Agneta Fursedon, Thoma Gowle, Elianor Colyn widow, Willelmus Helyer, Petrus Englysch, Iohannes Tetford, Iacobus Blacaller, Iohannes Toker, Iohannes Bydlake, Willelmus Cosby, Lucas Savery, Iohna Swete widow, Iohannes Ogan, Iohna Bowdon widow, Iohannes Compyon, Willelmus Gelys, Iohannes Renof, Robertus Ayleward, Iacobus Vera, Petrus de la rewe, Petrus Renof and Iohannes Wille because they brew ale are fined 2*d.* each.

Thoma Hamelyn sells ale by wine measure therefore pays 4*d.*

Ricardus Foughell because he does not receive his office of provost fined 6*s.* 8*d.*

Petrus Iescelyng fined 14½*d.* because he struck with a dagger (*rescussus fecit cum daggario*) Iohannes Voficer constable of the peace in the execution of his office.

Thomas Gyles (fined 6*d.*) for attacking David Gasquyne with *armicudio* to the effusion of blood.

Iohannes Bevery pays 14½*d.* *relevium* on the death of his father.

(The same persons are fined for non-repair of the same roads, including Robertus Hylle, Prior of Totton).

Henricus Thorne (fined 2*d.*) for non-appearance *versus* Willelmus Gyles on a plea of debt.

The bailiff is quit 2*d.* for the custody of 11 sheep together with lambs strayed, impounded by David Blacheforth.

18th April, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of St. George the Martyr.

Thomas Hunte (fined 3*d.*) on surety of Alanus Hakewyll because he is not present *versus* Iohannes Roger on a plea of trespass.

Alanus Hakewyll and Walterus Ayleward (fined 4*d.*) because they do not produce Willelmus Pruston at the instance of Willelmus Ayleward on a plea of trespass in his case.

Thoma Gowle fined 14½*d.* for releasing 1 horse for Ricardus Byneford. And the same is fined 6*d.* for using a cudgel to the effusion of blood.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Keys at the instance of Iohannes Wolcomb on a plea of trespass.

25th April, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of St. Mark the Evangelist in the 5th Henry VIII.

The constables without the west gate (fined 4*d.*) for default at this court.

Thoma Cole since his wife Iohna is accused on the surety of Iohannes Bydlake and Lucia Savery and from David Fetyn on the surety of Iohannes Hacker and Petrus Renof for the remission of fines for trespass.

Radulphus Bovy (fined 1*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Hugo Baron and Willelmus Baron on a plea of trespass.

Matheus Drayton (fined 1*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Iohanna Bowdon widow on a plea of debt.

Agneta Bowryng (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Walterus Smyth on a plea of debt.

9th May, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of St. John before the Latin Gate.

The constables without the west gate (fined 4*d.*) for default on this day.

1513. Extract of court held Monday 23rd May.

Iohannes Hacker junior husbondeman (fined 2*d.*) for trespass done to Walterus Ayleward in Heuclif on a plea of trespass.

Henricus Blakall because he is not present *versus* Henricus Palke on a plea of deceit.

The constables of the peace within the gates (fined 2*d.*) because they have not got the cudgel of Iohannes Thorne used against Robertus Hakewyll.

Nicholaus De la rewe (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Hacker senior on a plea of agreement broken.

Willelmus Ayleward (fined 2*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Willelmus Pruston on 2 pleas, of trespass and deceit.

The bailiff (fined 3*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Keys at the instance of Iohannes Fetyn on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff (fined 3*d.*) because he does not attach Ricardus Hillond at the instance of Iohannes Hacker junior *weddydman* on a plea of trespass.

Iohannes Fetyn and Iohannes Wellman bocher (fined 8*d.*) because they do not produce Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton at the instance of Willelmus Ayleward on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff (fined 4*d.*) for not attaching Iohannes Vetyll at the instance of Iohanna Swete widow on a plea of detention.

Iohannes Grogeworthy (fined 4*d.*) and Iohanna his wife for a licence of agreement with Iohannes Ion on 2 pleas of trespass.

Nicholaus Sampson (fined 2*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Iohanna Cros on a plea of detention.

Iohannes Vetyll (fined 1*d.*) for licence of agreement with Thoma Hamlyn on a plea of debt.

30th May, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday the last but one day of May.

Ricardus Foughell (fined 6*s.* 8*d.*) for not accepting the office of provost and the constables without the west gate (fined 4*d.*) for not attending.

Iohannes Thorne (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Hakewyll on a plea of trespass and Iohannes Hakewyll (fined 1*d.*) for licence of agreement with Henricus Calys.

13th June, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of St. Barnebas the Apostle.

Ricardus Whyte (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Lawry on a plea of debt.

Edwardus Days (fined 1*d.*) because not present *versus* Willelmus Dunn on a plea of trespass.

Bernardus Watt (paid 14½*d.*) because he acquired from Willelmus Hokemore senior his tenement.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Renof at the instance of Iohannes Holman on a plea of debt.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Scae at the instance of Rogerus Hyngeston on a plea of detention.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Thoma Cole at the instance of Iohannes Hakewyll on a plea of debt.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Willelmus Gyles at the instance of Henricus Thorna on a plea of debt.

1513. Extract of court held on Monday 20th June.

The constable without the west gate and within the gates each fined 2*d.* for default on this day.

Nicholaus Alyn and Thoma Upcot (fined 4*d.*) because they do not produce Ricardus Whyte and Iohanna his wife at the instance of Iohannes Lawry in a plea of debt.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Keys at the instance of Iohannes Wolcomb on a plea of trespass.

Iohannes Tetford (fined 1*d.*) for licence of agreement with Alanus Hakewell on a plea of debt.

4th July, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr.

Thoma Harrys (fined 3*d.*) for licence of agreement with Thoma Cokerell on a plea of agreement broken.

Willelmus Stephyn (fined 3*d.*) by surety of Thoma Upcote because he is not present *versus* Ricardus Stephyn on a plea of trespass.

The constable without the west gate and the constable without the east gate (fined 2*d.* each) for default on this day.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) because he does not attach Thoma Upcote at the instance of Agneta Fursedon widow on a plea of debt.

Edwardus Days (fined 1*d.*) for licence of agreement with Willelmus Hokemore senior on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff to produce 22*d.* for 1 white sheep kept in the custody of Thoma Hamlyn as a stray.

Robertus Hyll Prior of Totton (fined 2*d.*) for trespass done to Willelmus Ayleward on a plea of trespass.

11th July, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr.

Iohannes Compion (fined 6*d.*) because he attacked Willelmus Clerke with his fists to the effusion of blood.

Nicholaus Stowell (fined 2*d.*) because not present *versus* Iohannes Wylle on a plea of trespass.

Simon Iamys (fined 2*d.*) because not present *versus* Willelmus Chapell the chaplain on a plea of debt.

Thoma Upcot, Iohannes Aysshe, Thoma Cole, Willelmus Busshell, Nicholaus Sampson, Iohannes Kyt, Sinclerus Lane, Iohannes Rytte, Iohannes Martyn wever, and Petrus Wellyam each fined 1*d.* for not attending the enquiry between Iohannes Forde plaintiff and Iohannes Ponntenay on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff (fined 4*d.*) because he does not attach Iohannes Renof at the instance of Iohannes Holman on a plea of debt.

25th July, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday the festival of St. James the Apostle.

The constables without the east gate fined 4*d.* for default.

Iohannes Forde (fined 2*d.*) for unjust complaint against Iohannes Powutenay on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff fined 4*d.* for not attaching Iohannes Scae at the instance of Rogerus Hyndeston on a plea of detention.

1st August, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday the festival of St. Peter called *ad vincula.*

Willelmus Torryng one of the constables of the peace fined 2*d.* for default on this day.

The constable without the east gate (fined 4*d.*) for his default.

Iohannes Holman (fined 1*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Willelmus Wylleam de Dertynton on a plea of debt.

The bailiff (fined 2*d.*) for not attaching Simon Iamys at the instance of Matheus Langeworthy and Elizabeta his wife on a plea of detention.

The bailiff is quit 2*d.* for the custody of a horse (*gelding*) taken as a stray by Walterus Doly.

22nd August, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of St. Bartholomeus.

The bailiff fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Petrus Renof at the instance of Thoma Crowbeare and Alicia his wife on a plea ot trespass.

The bailiff fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Iohannes Renof and Dionisia his wife at the instance of Iohannes Holman and Alicia his wife on a plea of detention of chattels.

Ricardus Martyn fined 1*d.* because he is not present *versus* Iohannes Holman on a plea of trespass.

Radulphus Bovy, Petrus Bulle, Petrus Wellyam, Iacobus Vera, Philippus Groote, Iohannes Feron, each fined 1*d.* because they do not appear in an enquiry between Nicholaus Stowell plaintiff against Iohannes Wylle defendant on a plea of detention.

Willelmus Beryman, Petrus Willyam, Iohannes Stapelhyll, Iohannes Cole, Willelmus Brese, Iohannes Feryn and Iohannes Payne each fined 1*d.* because they do not appear at the enquiry between Agneta Fursedon plaintiff against Thoma Upcote defendant on a plea of debt.

5th September, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday before the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary in the 5th Henry VIII.

The bailiff is fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Nicholaus Sampson at the instance of Stephanus Mathue on a plea of trespass.

Iohannes Aysh fined 2*d.* for licence of agreement with Thoma Crowbeare on a plea of trespass.

Willelmus Bevyshell fined 6*d.* because not present *versus* Iohannes Kytte on three pleas, of debt, of agreement and of trespass.

The bailiff fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Iohannes Ogan at the instance of Willelmus Voyse on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Willelmus Alford at the instance of Bernardus Watt Mayor of Totton on a plea of debt.

The bailiff fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Willelmus Alford at the instance of Willelmus Hokemore on a plea of debt.

Simon Iamys fined 2*d.* and Alicia his wife for trespass done to Iohannes Bowdon on a plea of trespass.

Petrus Rewes, Robertus Ayleward, Willelmus Bussell, Petrus Bulle, Petrus Willyam, Iohannes Ogan, Philippus Groote and Iohannes Feren, each fined 1*d.* because they do not appear at the enquiry between Nicholaus Stowell plaintiff and Iohannes Wille on a plea of detention.

Thoma Upcot fined 2*d.* for detaining 6*s.* 6*d.* *versus* Agneta Fursdon on a plea of debt.

12th September, 1513. Extract of court held on Monday after the festival of the Nativity of the Blessed Mary.

The constables without the west gate and within the gates each fined 4*d.* for default on this day.

Iohannes Harys fined 14½*d.* because he released Iohannes Godeyere to the extent of 1 horse.

The bailiff because he does not attach Willelmus Bevyshell (fined 2*d.*) and Iohannes Kytte (fined 2*d.*) at the instance of Matheus Carpynter on a plea of debt.

The bailiff fined 3*d.* because he does not attach Iohannes Ogan at the instance of Willelmus Voyse on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff fined 2*d.* because he does not attach Thoma Herasy and Margeria his wife at the instance of Iohannes Holman on a plea of debt.

Petrus Rewe, Willelmus Muyge, Willelmus Bussell, Petrus Bulle, Petrus Willeam, Iohannes Ogan, Philippus Groote, Iohannes Feron each fined 1*d.* because they do not appear in the enquiry between Nicholaus Stowell plaintiff and Iohannes Wylle defendant on a plea of detention.

3rd October, 1513. Court held on Monday after the festival of St. Michael the Archangel.

Ricardus Beneford fined 2*d.* because he is not present *versus* Thoma Goole on two pleas of trespass.

The bailiff fined *2d.* because he does not attach Nicholaus Sampson at the instance of Reginaldus Walker and Elizabeth his wife on a plea of deception.

The bailiff fined *2d.* because he does not attach Iohannes Cole at the instance of Ricardus Fouhell on a plea of bodily harm.

1514. 31st May. On the free resignation of Thoma Colyns, Prior of St. Andree the Apostle of Tywardreth, Lord Iohannes Downe was admitted Vicar of St. Antoninus. Patrons, the said Prior and Convent (*Reg. Bp. Oldham*).

15th July. On the death of the last "incumbent" (not named), Lord Robertus Weston chaplain was admitted to the parish church of Ayshpryngton. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totton (*ibidem*).

9th September. On the resignation of Lord Iohannes Fry, Thoma Ytyssh, Master of Arts, is admitted Vicar of Hempston Parva. Patrons, the Abbess and Convent of Canonlegh (*ibidem*).

1515. 8th May. On the death of the previous Vicar, the Bishop, at his manor of Clyst, conferred upon Thoma More, Master of Arts, the church of Stoke St. Gabriel.

13th May. On the free resignation of Magister Iohannes Fulford, the Bishop conferred the Archdeaconry of Totton' upon Magister Ricardus Sidnor, Master of Arts (*ibidem*).

3rd June. On the resignation of Lord Robertus Weston, the Bishop admitted Bernardus Travesse, clerk, to be Rector of Aishpryngton. Patrons, the Prior and Convent of Totton (*ibidem*).

1517. 24th January. On the resignation of Lord Nicholaus Morton, Lord Ricardus Prust chaplain was admitted perpetual Vicar of Lodeswell on the presentation of the Rector and Associates of Slapton College, by Magister Ricardus More, Doctor of Arts, Vicar General (*ibidem*).

1518. 1st June. On the resignation of Bernardus Travesse, the Bishop admitted Magister Robertus Weston, Bachelor of Law, to be Rector of Ayshspryngton, on the presentation of the Prior and Convent of Totton (*ibidem*).

Among the documents bequeathed to the North Devon Athenæum, Barnstaple, by the late Colonel Harding, is an award made on 13th April, 1518, by Thomas Penweryn, Christopher Tredennek and William Goch, arbitrators between Thomas Colyn, Prior of Tywardreth and Thomas Tregoos of the one part and John Rescaden of Rescaden, of the other part, "the pryour of Sent Androw the Appostell at Tywardreth"

having claimed rent and suit from the lands of the said John Rescaden in Rescaden (printed in full in *D. & C. Notes and Queries*, Vol. VI, fo. 212).

A long deed in Latin, of which the following is the purport :—

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxiii. 1519. Robertus Hille Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Tottonia concedes to Iohannes Symon *alias* Swadell and to Anastasia his wife and to Thoma Symon their son a parcel of "our" land called Hamstorre lying within the parish of Totton between "our" land on the east and the land formerly belonging to Iohannes Bastard of Brownborough on the south and west and the land of Rogerus Symon on the north which land Iohannes William Bocher (probably butcher) and Isabella his wife formerly held of us.

To hold for their three lives at the annual rent of 8 *solidi* paid quarterly. To do service at "our" court of Garston.

On the decease of the said Iohannes 6*s*. 8*d*. to be paid.
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, Anastasia 3*s*. 4*d*. ,, ,, ,,
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, Thoma 3*s*. 4*d*. ,, ,, ,,
as heriot or farlem and the said three undertake to keep in repair the hedges and ditches and to plant the plantation with good trees, etc., also to find two gates with four posts, one at the end of the parcel of "our" ground aforesaid the other at the other end.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus Smyth; 2 Thoma Bogyn; 3 Thoma Mortimer, and many others.

Dated in our Chapter-house on the eighth day of August in the eleventh year of King Henry the eighth (8th August, 1519).

On reverse: "A leasse surrendered at Hamstorre."

Appended to parchment tag the large seal of Totnes Priory, the same as attached to Deed clxxvii. At base appears a winged bat or representation of the evil one. Only three pieces of this seal remain.

1519 31st August. Pope Leo X created John Veysy *alias* Harman, who had been Dean of Exeter since 19th November 1509, Bishop of the see. He had had sixteen years' experience of the diocese, having been collated to a canonry on the 5th August, 1503. On the 6th November, 1519, he was consecrated at Otford by Archbishop Wareham.

Bishop Veysy only visited his diocese in the early years of his episcopacy. He was much esteemed by King Henry VIII, who confided the tutorship of his daughter, Princess Mary, to this Bishop.

Oliver describes him as "a perfect courtier— a character unsuitable to that of a Christian Bishop." The historians Hoker, Godwin, Richard Carew, Westcote and Heylyn charge him with the utter ruin and spoilation of his church.

1538. 14th October. This Bishop received King Henry VIII's order to register births, deaths and marriages in every parish.

1554. 23rd October. Bishop Veysy died at Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire.

Tot. Mun. Deed, 28th October, 1520. May the present and future know that we Iohannes Cosyn of West Tengmouth and Willelmus Hokemore of Totton have given, etc., to Iohannes Rowe sergeant at law, Iohannes Ielys, Iohannes Swete senior and Alanus Hakewyll the lands, mesuages, four *solidat'* of rent, two gardens, and fourteen *denariat'* of rent in Great Totton of which one tenement with stalls adjoining lies within the gates of the ville between the tenement of the parish church of the Blessed Mary of Totton in which Rogerus Prows now lives on the west side and the tenement of Iohannes Gambone in which Willelmus Gylberd now lives on the east side and south and the Kingsway of the ville on the north side. And another tenement with garden lies without the east gate between the tenement of the said Iohannes Cosyn in which Iohannes Andy now lives on the west side and the tenement of the Prior of Totton in which Iohannes Fezon now lives on the east side and the garden of the priest of the chantry chapel of St. Edmund near the bridge of Totton on the north side and the Kingsway of the ville on the south side. And the third tenement lies between the tenement and garden of Iohannes Rennoff and Dionisia his wife on the west side and of the heirs of Iohannes Trenek on the east side and the Kingsway on the north side and "le Bastwall" on the south side. We also give to the aforementioned a certain annual rent of 4*s*. issuing from that tenement in Totton outside the east gate between the tenement of the said Iohannes Cosyn in which Ricardus Skynner lives on the west side and the tenement of Willelmus Southcott on the east side and the Kingsway of the ville on the north side and "le Bastwall" on the south side. We also give a certain annual rent of 14*d*. issuing from the whole of that tenement and curtilage in Totton within the east gate between the tenement of the Mayor and Community of Totton on the east side and the tenement of Andreas Hyllersdon on the west side and the east gate of the ville on the north side. To have and to hold, etc., for the use of the said Willelmus Hokemore. And we the aforementioned Iohannes Cosyn and Willelmus Hokemore have appointed as

our attorneys Willelmus Fursedon and Iohannes Davy. We have appended our seals.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus Smyth; 2 Henricus Balys; 3 Iohannes Symon, and many others. Dated at Totton the 28th October in the 12th year of King Henry VIII.

Appended two seals. Under *per me Iohannem Cosyn*, a circular impression in wax about half an inch diameter; a letter, possibly C, with double cross above it. Under, *per me Willelmum Hokemore* a W on which is a cross with a crescent to dexter and a W to sinister of same. This is the exact reverse of the seal of W. Wyse, 1464.

On reverse: "This writinge doth conserne Barnabee Rowes house George Harris his house and John Kellonds house wherein ye dwell."

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxiv. 1520.

To all the faithful, etc., Walterus Smyth formerly of Great Tottonia in the county of Devon greeting. Be it known that I have granted to Iohannes Smyth of Dawlyssh my father an annual rent of thirty *solidi* and four *denarii* proceeding from my lands and tenements in West Temgmewth in the aforesaid county during the life of the said Iohannes Smyth.

And Walterus Smyth undertakes to hold a memorial service in the parish church of West Teingmowth annually after his death. In witness of which our seals are alternately appended.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Ielys; 2 Iohannes Swete senior; 3 Rogerus Smyth; 4 Iohannes Tute; 5 Iohannes Iacob, and others.

Dated the twelfth day December in the 13th Henry VIII (12th December, 1520).

Appended to parchment tag small round seal with impression of capital I.

B.M. Add MSS. No. 27429, 1522.

12th May. John Cosyn of West Tengmouth son and heir of Thomas Cosyn deceased quit claims for £67 6*s.* 11*d.* paid to him by William Hokemore late of Tottenes senior deceased and by William Hokemore his son and heir his right in 3 tenements and 2 gardens and 5*s.* 2*d.* annual rent in Tottnes sold by the said John Cosyn to the said William the son. Of which tenements 1 tenement with stall lies within the gate of the said town between the tenement of the church in which Roger Prows dwells on the west and the tenement of John Gambone in which William

Gylberd dwells on the east and south sides and the High-street of the town on the north; and another of which tenements with a garden lies outside the east gate of the town between the tenement of the said John Cosyn in which John Andy (or Audy) lives on the west and the tenement of the Prior and Convent of Tottonys in which John Feron dwells on the east and the garden of the priest of the chantry of the chapel of St. Edmund by Tottenes bridge on the north and the High-street of the town on the south side; and of which tenements the third lies outside the east gate between the tenement and garden of John Rennoff and Dionisia his wife on the west and the tenements of the heirs of John Trenek on the east and the High-street on the north and "le bastwalles" of the town on the south. And of which premises 4*s.* of annual rent part of the aforementioned 5*s.* 2*d.* issue from a vacant place or toft of land which lies outside the east gate between the tenement in which Richard Skynner now dwells on the west and the tenement of William Southcott on the east and the High-street of the said town on the north and "le bastwalles" of the town on the south and of which rent 5*s.* 2*d.* the residue namely 1*s.* 2*d.* issues from the tenement of Ralph Mylford in which Nicholaus Ball dwells which same tenement lies within the east gate between the tenement of the Mayor and Commonalty of the town on the east and the tenement of Andrew Hyllersdon on the west and the east gate and the High-street of the town on the north. And he also gives to the said William the son full seisin of the tenements and rent. To have and to hold to the said William the son his heirs and assigns for ever. Clause of warranty follows. John Cosyn appends his seal.

Witnessed by:

1 John Rowe serjeant at law; 2 Walter Smyth; 3 John Symon, and many others. Dated at Tottones 12th May in the 14th year of the reign of King Henry VIII.

Tot. Court Roll, M50. September 1524 to September 1525

Twelve paper sheets and two membranes of court rolls. A small parchment attached with a panel of a jury in the 16th Henry VIII.

Willelmus Cosby, Willelmus Hokemore, Nicholaus Ball, Iohannes Symon, Lucas Savery, Willelmus Nosworthie, Thomas Hamlyn, Matheus Drayton, Iohannes Compyon, Willelmus Fursdon, Iohannes Swete, Iohannes Voyse.

They present that the pavements of Robertus Andrwe, of Iohannes Southcote, of Trevycke *alias* Holman, of Lucas Savery (is given a day to the festival of St. Peter *ad vincula*), of Etachia (Eustace) Garlond, of

Ricardus Martyn, of Lytelton, of Magister Summaister, of Iohanna Bevery, of Iohanna Cole widow of Iohannes William and of Petrus Kuys are broken and in bad repair.

And the pavements of the Prior of Tottenes (has until Easter), of Christopher Bavery, of Thoma Hamlyn, of Willelmus Noseworthy, of Henricus Pase, of Willelmus Torryng, of Iohannes Page, of Magister Iohannes Wolfton, of Willelmus Gilberte, of the heirs of Bera, of Iohannes Fairevericke Rector of St. Edmund on the bridge, of Henricus Calyce, of Philippus Blackealler, of Walterus Smyth and of Petrus Lake are broken and also that the highway between Cherycrosse and Bowdon has deep holes and in bad repair. And that the highway between the house of Petrus Lake and the chapel of St. Mary Magdalene is deeply broken.

The twelve (jurymen) present that Ricardus Goodere (find 6*s.* 8*d.*), Iohannes Wryth (fined 5*d.*), Michell Baron, Blanchia Garlond, widow Garlond, the widow of Allaredus Bovery (fined 6*s.*), Ricardus Alford (fined 5*s.*) are common receivers of apprentices and servants for playing by night *vila ad carpinas et ad tabellar* for that many have grievances and accuse them.

They present that Iacobus Lang(w)orthy (fined 6*s.*) *carnaliter congnovit* Margareta Luter (fined 3*s.*) and that Nicholaus Hunt *c.c.* Sthnam (Sethna?) Smyth.

And that Iohannes Miller sold a diseased pig to the great harm of the subjects of the Lord of which he is accused.

And that Blanchia Garlond widow usurps the freedom of this ville.

1520. 26th January. On the resignation of Thomasia Dynham, Prioress of Cornworthy, Avisia Dynham, Sub-Prioress and President of the Chapter of the said house, addresses Bishop Iohannes Veysey to allow the election of a Prioress. On the 3rd February the Bishop, at Crediton, instructs Magister Ricardus Tollet, Doctor of Laws, to enquire into the election of Avisia Dynham (*Reg. Bp. Iohannes Veysey*).

1520. 1st February. On the resignation of Magister Ricardus Sydnor, last Vicar, Iohannes Colles, Master of Arts, was admitted to the parish church of Hurberton by Bishop John Veysey.

1520. 3rd February. On the death of Lord Vincencius Colman, Thomas Alway chaplain was admitted to the chantry of the chapel of St. Michael the Archangel within the cemetery of St. Austoli, on the presentation of the Priory of Tywardreth.

1520. 31st May. On the death of Lord Thoma Scoterych, Lord Robertus Hody chaplain (by proxy Magister Thoma Harrys) is admitted Vicar of the parish church of St. Andrew, on the presentation of the Prior of Tywardreth.

1520. 11th July. On the resignation of Walterus Copleston, Thoma Copleston clerk is admitted to the free chapel or chantry of the Blessed Mary of Waysheburn (by proxy Magister Iohannes German).

1520. 14th October. On the resignation of Willelmus Chapell, Magister Iohannes Ryder, Master of Arts, is admitted to the chantry of St. Edmund on the bridge near Totton, on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecomb, patron.

1522. 14th April. On the free resignation of Magister Petrus Lygha D.D. (*Decretorum Doctor*), Robertus Tregunwell (*Magister Artium*) is admitted Vicar of St. Austol, on the presentation of the Prior of Tywardreyth, and an annual pension of 10 *libri* is granted to Petrus Lygha.

1523. 20th November. On the death of Iohannes Nosworthy, Magister Robertus Weston, bachelor of both laws, is admitted Vicar of Bryxham, on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecumb, vice-patron by reason of grant by the Prior of Totton, the true patron.

1523. 4th December. On the resignation of Robertus Weston, Ricardus Weston clerk is admitted Rector of Ayshbryngton, on the presentation of Magister Robertus Weston, vice-patron on account of grant by the Prior of Totton, the true patron.

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Court of law held Monday 17th October in the 16th Henry VIII.

1524 The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Petrus Englys, Willelmus Mogge, Willelmus Galyon, Iohannes Compyn, Alicia Holman, Mattheus Swete, Iohannes Wryth, Ricardus Skynner, Ricardus Goodere, Tegus Borow (6*d.*), Willelmus Turpyn (6*d.*), Iohannes Ogan, Robertus Andrwe, Rogerus Crote, Iohanna Swete, Lucas Savery, Willelmus Cosby, Blanchia Garlond (6*d.*), Iohannes Toker, James Blackealler, Mattheus Mowne (6*d.*) brew ale and therefore break the assize.

Four of the above are fined 6*d.* the remainder 2*d.* each.

(A clue is perhaps furnished in the preceding entry as to why in certain cases a triple charge is made: probably because they were not members of the Gild. The names, also, suggest that they were not long established inhabitants of Totnes).

The ale-tasters within the gates present that Thomas Hamlyn, Iohannes Claw, Iohannes Fetyn, Iohannes Ponnteney, Iohannes Frend, Alicia Ioet, Ricardus Alford, Willelmus Beryman, Andreas Pelle,

Willelmus Fursedon, Willelmus Torryng, Henricus Pase, Iohannes Bowdon, Robertus Drayton brew ale and therefore break the assize: each fined 2*d.*

The ale-tasters without the east gate come and present that Iohannes Kyse, Ricardus Pyleton, Willelmus Vynsente, Ricardus Grey brew ale and therefore break the assize: each fined 2*d.*

(It is noteworthy that the numbers returned by the ale-tasters are: without the east gate, twenty-one; within the gates, fourteen; and without the west gate only four).

The constables within the gates present that Iohannes Heyth (fined 14½*d.*) struck back at Ricardus Hill in the execution of his office.

The same present that Willelmus Turpyn (fined 14½*d.*) struck back at the tasters in the execution of their office.

Twelve for the Lord King.

Willelmus Hokemore, Willelmus Cosby, Iohannes Serytt, Nicholaus Ball, Christoferus Savery, Willelmus Walys, Lucas Savery, Thomas Hamlyn, Matheus Drayton, Iohannes Compyn, Willelmus Gilberte, Rogerus Crote, Iohannes Swete, Iohannes Voysy, Petrus Englys, Petrus Ruysche.

Which twelve come and affirm all of above presents to be hereafter believed and further present to the following offices.

Ale-tasters without the east gate: Iohannes William and David Cetyn.

Ale-tasters within the gates: Iohannes Bowdon and Willelmus Darre.

Ale-tasters without the west gate: Thoma Whyte and Iohannes Kelle.

To the office of provost: Robertus Hille Prior of Tottenes.

To the office of constable without the east gate: Iohannes Hacker junior and Willelmus Galyon.

To the office of constable within the gates: Iohannes Wilk and Iohannes Olyver.

To the office of constable without the west gate: Ricardus Hill and Iohannes Blackealler.

They present that Elizabeth Bolton died since the last court and since he pays the Lord 14½*d.* her heir is Henricus Bolton who is to do homage.

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not attach Willelmus Swalow (fined 4*d.*) and Elizabeth his wife at the instance of Iohannes Make.

1524. Court of the Mayor and Citizens held on Monday 17th October.

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not attach Iohannes Hakewill (fined 4*d.*) and Iohannes Symon (fined 4*d.*) at the instance of Willelmus

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Nodda chaplain on a plea of debt (a note above the name Iohannes Symon : "acknowledged that he owed 31*s.* 8*d.*)."

Iohannes Ogan (not present) plaintiff against Edwardus Endebroke on a plea of agreement broken.

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not levy 40*s.* on the goods of Willelmus Hokemore and Iohannes Bowdon for the benefit of Iohannes Hakewill and Iohannes Symon plaintiffs against them which they have recovered by judgment of the court.

24th October, 1524.

Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 24th October in the 16th Henry VIII.

Thomas Upcott plaintiff against Willelmus Beryman on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Fursedon plaintiff against Rogerus Prous on a plea of detention.

Thomas Shorte (not present) plaintiff against Iohannes Elyott on a plea and is attached in person (*per corpus*) and liberated by surety of Robertus Wakeham (fined 2*d.*) and Iohannes Hakewill senior (fined 2*d.*) who do not produce him therefore are in mercy.

The constable within the gates presents Robertus Wyndeygate (fined 6*d.*) apprentice of Rogerus Prous insulted Nicholaus Petyjon and drew blood and the aforesaid Nicholaus did likewise (also fined 6*d.*).

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not attach Willelmus Swalow (fined 4*d.*) at the instance of Iohannes Marke on a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Ogan (fined 1*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Edwardus Endebroke on a plea of agreement broken.

7th November, 1524.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 7th November in the 16th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Compyn (fined 1*d.*) because not present *versus* Iohannes Voisy on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Ogan (fined 1*d.*) for a licence of agreement with Nicholaus Englis on a plea of debt.

Robertus Hill Prior of Tott' (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Hacker senior on a plea of trespass.

Ricardus Grey (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Marke on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff presents that Iohannes Haccker junior struck back at Iohannes Ierman in the execution of his duty.

Willelmus Beryman fined 1*d.* for licence of agreement with Thoma Upcote.

Rogerus Prous fined 1*d.* for licence of agreement with Willelmus Fursedon on a plea of detention.

They present that Robertus Dreyton (fined 13½*d.*) struck back at Iohannes Bowdon: that Iohannes Ogan (fined 13½*d.*) struck back at David Cotyn: and that Willelmus Notty (fined 13½*d.*) struck back at Iohannes Hacker senior.

1524. Magna Totnes. Court held on Monday 14th November in the 16th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Iohnes fined 2*d.* because he is not present *versus* Ricardus Godeyere on a plea of detention.

Iohannes Cuttwill plaintiff against Iohannes Heyth on a plea of debt was not summoned therefore to be summoned.

1524. Court held on Monday 28th November in the 16th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Blackealler de Hemston fined 2*d.* for licence of agreement with Iohannes Adam on a plea of debt.

Willelmus Ascote chaplain plaintiff against Henricus Pase on a plea of debt.

The constable presents that Iohannes Beryman attacked Iohannes Wryth with a cudgel and drew blood.

1524. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 19th December in the 16th of Henry VIII.

Iohannes Wryth plaintiff against Tego Borow on a plea of debt.

The constable without the west gate fined 6*d.* because he does not come to serve the Court.

1524. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 26th December in the 16th Henry VIII.

Enquiry between Iohannes Summaster, Willelmus Summaster, Edwardus Litelton, Iohannes Lytelton, Thoma Walter and Anistasia his wife plaintiffs and Walterus Ayleward defendant.

1525. Magna Tottenes. Court of Law held on Monday 9th January in the 16th Henry VIII.

The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Willelmus Turpyn, Iohannes Ogan, Luc Savery, Iohannes Toker, Iacobus Blackealler, Petrus Englis, Willelmus Cosby, Robertus Androw, Iohannes Compyn, Alic Holman, Iohannes Wryth brew ale and thus, etc., (fined each 2*d.*).

The ale-tasters within the gates present that Iohannes Fetyn, Iohannes Fetyn, Iohannes Frend, Alicia Ioet, Ricardus Alford, Andreas Pelle, Willelmus Fursedon and Robertus Drayton brew ale and thus break the assize (fined each 2*d.*).

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The ale-tasters without the west gate present that Ricardus Pileton, Iohannes Kese, and Iohannes Cuttwill brew ale, etc., (the fine is not recorded, either above the names or in the margin).

Iohannes Pileton senior fined 1*d.* because not present *versus* Iohannes Olyver on a plea of trespass.

They present that Iohannes Olyver (fined 12*d.*) breaks *pomidef'*.

Twelve for the Lord King.

Willelmus Cosby, Willelmus Hokemore, Nicholaus Ball, Iohannes Symon, Iacobus Blackealler, Christoferus Savery, Rogerus Smyth, Luc Savery, Willelmus Noseworthy, Thomas Hamlyn, Matheus Drayton, Iohannes Compyn, Iohannes Swete, Iohannes Voysy.

Which twelve come and affirm, etc., and present that the highway between Redyngpitt and Stangcomb yeate is deeply broken and in bad repair and that Robertus Hill Prior of Totton and Nicholaus Straer are bound to repair the same and that in the aforesaid way Robertus Hill the Prior dug a quarry *pytt* to the great danger of the subjects of the Lord King of which he is accused.

And that the highway between Harperswill and Wyndemyldownes yeate is deep and in bad repair to the danger of the countryside (*patrie*) and that the Prior of Totton and Iohannes Symon are bound to repair it.

And that Matilda Holman widow while holding of the Lord free lands, etc., died since the last court therefore 14½*d.* relief is due to the Lord.

And that Robertus Erell of Ayscheberton acquired by the will of the said Matilda certain lands near the tenement of Thoma Ersy since he paid the Lord 14½*d.* relief.

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 16th January in the 16th Henry VIII.

The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Iohannes Wryth, Iohannes Scay, Iohannes Fetyn, Iohannes Ponnteney, Iohannes Heyth, Iohannes Frend, Allardus Every, Ricardus Alford, Willelmus Gilberte, Willelmus Deyne, Iohannes Voysy, Andreas Pelle and Robertus Dreyton and Thomas Upcote sell ale by false measure (each fined 12*d.*).

Iacobus Blackealler (fined 1*d.*) because not present *versus* Iohannes Knollyng on a plea of agreement broken.

To this court comes Iohannes Summaster, Willelmus Summaster, Edwardus Litelton, Iohannes Litelton, Thomas Walter and Anistasia his wife plaintiffs and Walterus Ayleward defendant and the Jury summoned appear viz—Willelmus Hokemore, Nicholaus Ball, Iohannes Symon, Iohannes Swete, Iohannes Voysy, Willelmus Walys, Nicholaus Alyn,

Iohannes Page, Ricardus Grey, Petrus Lake and Iohannes (surname omitted) and on oath say that the aforesaid Walterus Ayleward deprives the said plaintiffs of two mesuages and two gardens with appurtenances.

1525. Magna Tottenes. Court held Monday 6th February in the 16th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Franc (fined 4*d.*) because he is not present *versus* Iohannes Clerke on a plea of debt and of agreement broken.

Willelmus Buyssell (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohanna Beryman on a plea of debt.

Robertus Dreyton (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Clerke on a plea of debt and agreement broken.

The bailiff in mercy because he does not distrain David Cotyn (fined 2*d.*) at the instance of Iohannes Wryth on a plea of trespass.

1525. Court held on Monday 20th February in the above year.

The constables present that Thomas Shorte (fined 13½*d.*) struck back at Willelmus Fursedon.

1525. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday the last but one day of February in the 16th Henry VIII.

The constables come and present that David Cotyn (fined 13½*d.*) struck back twice at Iohannes Wryth.

that Blanchia Garlond (fined 13½*d.*) struck back at Iohannes Wryth in the execution of his duty.

that Iohannes Knollyng (fined 13½*d.*) struck back at Iohannes Haccker senior in the performance of his duty.

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 13th March in the 16th Henry VIII.

The constables without the east gate present that Petrus Beavyer insulted Iohannes Nowell with his fist and drew blood (fined 6*d.*).

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 20th March in the 16th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Prendergiste not present plaintiff against Henricus Pase.

Ricardus Fursedon (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Robertus Ley on a plea of debt.

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 3rd April in the 16th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Marke plaintiff against Iohannes Blackeall Bocher on a plea of trespass and is attached in person and liberated on the surety of Phillipus Blackeall (fined 2*d.*) who does not produce him therefore is in mercy.

The constables within the gates (fined 6*d.*) and the constables without the west gate (fined 6*d.*) for not coming to serve the court.

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Magna Tottenes. Court of Law held on Monday 1st May in the 17th Henry VIII.

The ale-tasters without the east gate present that Ricardus Skynner, Iohannes Wryth, Alic' Holman, Iohannes Compyn, Petrus Englys, Iacobus Blackeall, Iohannes Toker, Blanchea Garlond, Willelmus Cosby, Luc Savery, Robertus Androw, and Iohannes Hogan brew ale and therefore break the assize and are each fined 2*d.*

The ale-tasters within the gates present that Thomas Hamlyn, Iohannes Fetyn, Iohannes Ponnteney, Willelmus Noseworthy, Iohannes Frende, Alic' Ioet, Ricardus Alfford, Andreas Pelle, Willelmus Fursedon, Henricus Pase, Iohannes Bowdon, Robertus Dreyton brew ale and break the assize therefore are fined each 2*d.*

The ale-tasters without the west gate present that Ricardus Pileton brews ale, etc., fined 2*d.*

(The proportion is: without the east gate, twelve; within the gates, twelve; without the west gate, one).

Twelve for the Lord King. Jury.

Nicholaus Ball, Christoferus Savery, Willelmus Walys, Iohannes Serit, Luc' Savery, Iohannes Compyn, Willelmus Deyne, Iohannes Swete, Nicholaus Alyn, Ricardus Skynner, Iohannes Blackeall, Iohannes Symon, and Willelmus Noseworthy.

Who come and affirm, etc., and present that Iohanna wife of Ricardus Brokyng sells in the market dozens (*duodenos*) of woollen yarn and 5 *libri* (perhaps 5lb. weight) in deceiving the subjects of the Lord King of which she is accused.

And that the wife of Ricardus Pyleton (fined 12*d.*) sold ale against the statute viz. 4*d.* for 1 gallon.

Margeria Andy (fined 1*d.*) widow because she is not present against Iohannes Martyn on a plea of agreement broken.

1525.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 8th May in above year.

The bailiff in mercy because he does not attach Iohannes Hacker junior (fined 3*d.*) at the instance of Iohannes Prendyrgiste on a plea of trespass.

Willelmus William (fined 2*d.*) because not present *versus* Iohannes Turpyn on a plea of agreement broken.

Willelmus Deyne (fined 1*d.*) because not present *versus* Edmund Galicion on a plea of trespass.

Willelmus Vynsent (not present) plaintiff against Robertus Ayleward on a plea of trespass.

The constables within the gates present that Iohannes Tuckyng (fined 6*d.*) insulted Ricardus Sachefele and drew blood.

Iohannes Goodeyere (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Page on a plea of debt.

1525. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 22nd May in the 17th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Page plaintiff against Willelmus Reynell on a plea of agreement broken attached and liberated by surety of Iohannes Pileton and Iohannes Cuttwill: having made a declaration and the defendant given a reply the bailiff is ordered to cause the 18 (jury) to come.

Willelmus William and Robertus Mede plaintiff against Iohannes Turpyn on a plea of trespass: is attached and liberated on the surety of Christoferus Savery (fined 2*d.*) and Ricardus Savery (fined 2*d.*) who do not produce defendant therefore are in mercy.

1525. Magna Tottenes. Court held on 29th May in the 17th Henry VIII.

The constables within the gates (fined 6*d.*) and the constables without the west gate (fined 6*d.*) for not coming to serve the court.

Enquiry between Iohannes Page plaintiff and Willelmus Reynell defendant: to this court are called for the defence Willelmus Mogge, Thomas Harman, Iohannes Kese, Iohannes Buckeler, Phillipus Blackeall, Ricardus Alfford, Willelmus Darre, Thomas Welys and Robertus Ayleward and Oto Von(or u)se.

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 12th June in the 17th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Pyleton plaintiff against Tego Burth on a plea of debt.

Iohannes Olyver (fined 2*d.*) for licence of agreement with Iohannes Pileton on a plea of trespass.

The bailiff in mercy because he does not attach Iohannes Voisy (fined 2*d.*) at the instance of Iohannes Cuttwill.

1525. Magna Tottnes. Court held on Monday 19th June in the above year. (Repetition of previous cases).

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 3rd July in the 17th Henry VIII.

The constables without the east gate present that Iohannes Rose insulted Thoma Yeong.

Willelmus Deyne (not present) plaintiff against Edmund Galycion on a plea of agreement broken.

1525. Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 10th July in the above year.

Willelmus Gybbys esquire plaintiff against Ricardus Hill on a plea of trespass.

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The same Willelmus (Gybbys, esquire) fined 2*d.* for not being present *versus* Iohannes Bways [*sic*] on a plea of trespass.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 24th July in the above year.

Iohannes Swete plaintiff against Thoma Patard on a plea of debt is attached and liberated by surety of Nicholaus Alyn and Willelmus Walys who do not produce him therefore are fined each 2*d.*

Robertus Ley plaintiff against Willelmus Hockeleyth on a plea of agreement broken: is attached and liberated by surety of Iohannes Scay and of Petrus Englys who do not produce him and are fined each 2*d.*

The bailiff is in mercy because he does not attach Ricardus Goddere (fined 2*d.*) at the instance of Iohannes Blackeall on a plea of debt.

The bailiff in mercy because he does not attach Willelmus Torryng (fined 2*d.*) at the instance of Willelmus Worth on a plea of debt.

31st July, 1525.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday the last day of July in the 17th year Henry VIII.

The constable without the east gate presents that Michel Martyn (fined 6*d.*) insulted Petrus Englys with 1 *lad* (probably stone) and drew blood.

The constable without the west gate in mercy (fined 6*d.*) for not coming to serve his office.

Iohannes Ierman plaintiff against Alicia Holman widow on a plea of trespass and is attached per 2 cows and liberated on the surety of Thoma Hamlyn and Iohannes Wryth (each fined 2*d.*).

Iohannes Swete plaintiff against Thoma Paddart on a plea of debt: liberated on surety of Nicholaus Alyn and Willelmus Walys.

1525.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 14th August in the above year.

Iohannes Clow (fined 1*d.*) for not being present *versus* Robertus Ley on a plea of debt.

1525.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 21st August in the 17th Henry VIII.

(Repetition of previous cases).

1525.

Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 4th September in the 17th Henry VIII.

Thomas Upcote plaintiff against Willelmus Upton on a plea of debt is attached per 3 gowns, one pair of charms (*praecarum*) of silver, two buckles (*bocliares*) and one ring of silver, and moreover it is recorded as first defence.

Iohannes Buttler fined 2*d.* because not present *versus* Iohannes Birdewode on a plea of debt.

1525.

Magna Tottenes. Court held on Monday 11th September in the 17th Henry VIII.

Iohannes Page plaintiff against Robertus Yeolond (fined 2*d.*) on a plea of agreement broken.

Iohannes Frend plaintiff against Iohannes Buttler (fined 2*d.*) on a plea of trespass.

Iohannes Wryth (fined 1*d.*) is in mercy for unjustly complaining against Ricardus Hill on a plea of debt.

The constables present that Willelmus Ronndell insulted Ricardus Bonymay with his fist and drew blood.

Willelmus Myller plaintiff against Robertus Dreyton on a plea of debt.

1525. Magna Tott'. Court held on Monday 25th September in the above year.

Iohannes Hacker junior (fined 6*d.*) insulted Thoma Will and drew blood and the aforesaid Thomas did likewise (fined 6*d.*).

The bailiff in mercy because he does not levy 2*s.* 8*d.* on the goods and chattels of Willelmus Notte and Iohannes Symon as also 10*d.* for custody to the benefit of Ricardus Godeyere.

Iohannes Knyth plaintiff against Rogerus Tole (possibly an error for Cole) on a plea of debt.

Two parchment membranes.

Magna Tottenes. Court of assize as well as of pleas of the land of Petrus Eggecomb knight of the manor of Magna Totton held there before Iohannes Bourchier knight, Lord Fitzwaren, Iohannes Holwey and Andrea Hillersdon, Willelmus Hokemore, Walterus Smyth and Alanus Hakewill suitors of the said court according to the customs of the manor aforesaid from a time to which memory does not reach on the same day

1525. Monday 13th March in the 16th Henry VIII.

The case of Iohannes Syrett and Iacobus Blackeall as to a mesuage of which Willelmus Warde sought to deprive them : a judgment of the King's court dated 18th November 16th Henry VIII is addressed to Sir Petrus Eggecomb. An attempt had been made by a certain Iohannes Cocke to disseise the said owners : the provost of the manor Willelmus Fursedon is ordered to summon the said Willelmus Warde to the next court on

1525. Monday 3rd April 16th Henry VIII.

To this court came the aforesaid Iohannes Syrett and Iacobus *per* Iohannes Iones his attorney as well as the aforesaid Willelmus Ward *per* Iohannes Pileton his attorney. Willelmus Fursedon provost of the manor and minister of this court states that the said Willelmus Ward was duly summoned by Iohannes Dreyton and Iohannes Danyell. The said Willelmus Warde by his attorney defends his right to the mesuage and calls to warrant his right Iohannes Bowdon and Edwardus Dayes who

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are present. Judgment is given that Iohannes Syrett and Iacobus Blackeall are to recover seisin against the said Willelmus Ward.

Magna Totton. Court of assize and of pleas of the land of Petrus Eggecomb knight of the court of his manor of Magna Totton' held before Iohannes Bydlake Mayor of the aforesaid ville and Willelmus Hokemore of Buckeyeate bailiff of the manor of the said Petrus and before Iohannes Burchier knight, Lord Fitzwaren, Iohannes Holleway and Andreas Hillersdon suitors of the said court according to the custom of the manor, etc., on Monday 10th July 17th Henry VIII.

A small strip of parchment is stitched to the margin of roll, evidently the warrant to hold the court. It reads as follows:

Henry VIII, etc., to Petrus Eggecomb knight bailiff of his manor of Magna Totnes. We command you without delay and according to the customs of the manor of Magna Totnes fully thou shalt hold justice to Iohannes Roo serjeant at law, to Willelmus Hukmore and to Willelmus Massy concerning one mesuage and one curtilage with appurtenances in Magna Totnes of which Nicholaus Page clerk deprives them. Westminster 19th May 17th Henry VIII. signed "Dukman."

To this court came Iohannes Raw serjeant at law, Willelmus Hokemore and Willelmus Massy according to the decision of the King's court (quoted at length as above) surety having been found for their presence namely Iohannes Do and Iohannes Ro *versus* Nicholaus Page, etc., and the provost of the manor and minister of the court Willelmus Fursedon is ordered to summon the aforesaid Nicholaus Page to appear at the next court on Monday the last day of July next (at which court the same formulæ are repeated).

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Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxv. 1526.

An indulgence issued to Iohann Hamond and Thomsyn his wife (whose names appear to have been afterwards inserted) by Frater Thomas Norton (written in red ink) knight and master of the Hospital at Burton of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem in England.

Sealed with the seal "of our brotherhood." Dated Anno Domini 1526.

Appended to parchment strip cut from deed an oval seal in brown wax. Central full length figure of Saint—probably St. Lazarus. Inscription around is undecipherable. The seal measured about two inches by one and a quarter inches.

The above is a very good example of these money-producing absolvents from the result of the commission of misdeeds in which considerable traffic was carried on about this period.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxvi. 1525. Robertus Hille Prior of the house and church of the Blessed Mary of Great Totton and the Convent of the same place concede to Iacobus Eggecombe all tithes of grain, etc., as well as of beans, fisheries, profits or any kind of tithes in Galmeton, Churston and Lucton in the parish of Brixham belonging to us and to the parish church of Brixham from the day of the death of Sir John Gilberd now farmer of the farm, during the life of the said Iacobus so long as he pays us annually 20 marcs sterling in two instalments *i.e.* at the festival of All Saints and at the festival of the Invention of the Holy Cross.

If payment should be in arrears to pay 40 *solidi* fine. I the aforesaid Iacobus Eggecomb have appended my seal and to the other part of the same indenture Robertus Hill the Prior and Convent have appended their common seal. Dated in the Chapter House of the said Prior and Convent on the third day of April in the sixteenth year of the reign of King Henry the eighth (3rd April, 1525).

Appended parchment tag to which is affixed a small seal—an irregular shield enclosing letters WG surmounting a cask.

1526. 25th August. On the death of Magister Thoma Iryshe, Magister Thoma Wode was admitted Rector of Little Hempston, on the presentation of the Abbess of Canonlegh.

PRIOR HENRICUS GOON OR GONE.

1527. 3rd March. On the death of Lord Robertus Hyll, Lord Henricus Goon, priest (*presbiter*) of the monks was admitted Prior, on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecomb.

This entry in Bishop Veysey's Register and the subsequent record of his resignation on the 12th August are the only two notes we have of this Prior. Oliver mentions that, on the 10th July, Bishop Veysey licensed him to canvas for a pension. He was probably an old inmate of the Priory, to whom the rule of the house was thus temporarily given, the permission of the Bishop meaning, presumably, that if he could arrange with a successor to grant him means of sustenance, he might relinquish office.

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,267. 1527. 4th May. Roger Crowle and Thomas Bogyn wardens of the parish church of St. Mary of Tottonys with the assent of Nicholas Ball then Mayor and the Commonalty of the said town, lease to Roger Prows all the stalls lying before his tenement within the gate of Tottenys between which tenement in which the said Roger Prows now dwells on the south

and the High Street on the north and the tenement and stall of William Hokemore on the east and the tenement and stall of John Voyse on the west. To have and to hold during his life and to his executors and assigns for a term of 40 years after his death. Rendering therefor to us and our successors during the said term 33*s.* 8*d.* Clause of distraint follows. The lessee and his executors shall keep the stalls in repair and the pavement in front of them during the whole term. The lessors and the lessee have appended their seals, likewise the Mayor.

Witnessed by:

1 John Ielys; 2 Walter Smyth; 3 Alan Hakewyll; 4 William Hokemore; 5 James Blackhall, and many others. Dated at Tottonys 4th May in the 19th year of the reign of King Henry VIII.

1527. 13th July. On the death of the last Rector, Iohannes Stephyns, Master of Arts, was admitted to the parish church of Dertyngton, on the presentation of Henricus Courtnay, Member (*celeberium*) of the Order of the Garter, Lord of Ockhampton and Plympton, Sheriff (*Comes*) of Devon, patron.

PRIOR EDMUNDUS COKER.

1527. 12th August. On the free resignation of Lord Henricus Gone, last Prior, Magister Thomas Brewod, Vicar-General, admitted Lord Edmundus Coker, monk of Glastonbury of the order of St. Benedict and of the priesthood, to the Priory of St. Maria of Totton, on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecomb patron of the Priory, on the undertaking to pay forty marcs annual pension to the late Prior (*Reg. Bp. Veysey*).

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxvii. 1527. The following deed occurring among the documents relating to Totnes Priory, though with no reference to the latter, is of sufficient interest to students of Monasticon to permit the insertion of it.

Be it known, etc., I Isabella Sakeveld Prioress of the house of nuns or monastery of Saint Mary the Virgin of Clerkenwille have received on the day of the drawing up of the present from the Abbat and Canons of the monastery of Chichester (Sussex, —"Cicestrie") twelve *solidi* sterling for a certain annual and quit rent proceeding from the tenement with appurtenances called "le Popyngay" situated in the parish of Saint Brigida in Flete strete London namely for one whole year from the day given. In witness of which thing the seal of my office is appended. Dated on the eve of Saint Michael the Archangel in the nineteenth year of the reign of King Henry the eighth (28th September, 1527).

On reverse in English: "An acquitt for rent goeng out of Popingey aley." "Pryores of Clarkenwell."

Appended to parchment strip cut from deed is a small oval seal measuring one and a half inches by one inch. Central device Virgin full length, crowned, carrying child, under canopy, with two upright roped columns on either side. On sinister side in margin the full word SIGILLUM. On dexter side the first letter is probably obliterated; the rest MIGII.

The mention of Abbat and Canons seems to point to the Abbey of Austin Canons at Cirencester, Gloucester, as the religious houses at Chichester were not Abbeys. The tenement was probably used as their town house.

PRIOR THOMAS RYCHARD.

1528. 28th February. On the free and spontaneous resignation of Lord Edmundus Coker, the last Prior, the Vicar admitted Lord Thoma Rychard monk to the Priory of St. Mary of Totton on the presentation of Sir Petrus Eggecomb, patron. The last Prior resigned on the 24th February.

1528. 10th November. On the free resignation of Magister Robertus Weston, by Magister Robertus Peryns surrogate, Georgius Carewe chaplain was admitted Vicar of Bryxham (*Reg. Bp. Veysey*).

Tot. Mun. Deed, 10th May, 1528. Be it known by these presents that we Nicholaus Ball Mayor of the ville of Great Totton and our citizens have given, etc., to Iohannes Brok two mills with water wheels and leat (*let'*) with their appurtenances of which one is called "the ses myll" situated without the east gate of Totton and the other is called "the castell myll" situated without the north gate of the ville and one meadow called "the castell mede" within the north gate near the garden (*ortum*) of the Priory. To have and to hold, etc., to the aforesaid Iohannes Brok, Elisabeth his wife and Stephanus their son during their lives, etc., whilst paying annually during the life of the said Iohannes Brok to us, etc., or our successors four *libri* thirteen *solidi* and four *denarii* and to the capital Lords of that fee rent due, and on the death of the said Iohannes Brok to the aforesaid Elisabeth and Stephanus her son rendering annually five *libri* sterling at the four terms in equal portions, moreover the lessees shall rebuild (*de novo*) the aforesaid mill called "the castell myll" with sufficient building material with tiles and stones within the space of one year from the present date and the lessees undertake to keep at their expense the mill in repair and they shall have "Fragth and stack" (probably brushwood and stakes) for the "weare" in the wood of

the Lord as much as was needful during their lives as appears in the charter of the Lord granted to the Mayor and burghers. And if it occurs that the aforesaid rent is in arrears for one month we are licensed to distrain therefor. And if in arrear for one year or the mill is not built in the above mentioned time we are licensed to re-enter into possession. Clause of warranty. And we Nicholaus Ball and the burghers appoint as our representatives Iohannes Pileton and Iohannes Frensche. In witness of which we Nicholaus Ball and the burghers have appended our common seal and Iohannes Brok and Elisabeth and Stephanus their son have appended their seals to this indenture.

Witnessed by:

1 Iohannes Ielys; 2 Walterus Smyth; 3 Willelmus Cosbye; 4 Rogerus Crote then receiver of Totton; 5 Iohannes Blackehall, and many others.

Dated the tenth of May in the 20th year of King Henry VIII.

Appended three tags with seals in light brown wax affixed. Of the first only the lower half of a shield shaped impression remains. The second impression may be intended for the letter ꝑ. The third impression, nine-sixteenths of an inch diameter, a small shield within an interlaced circle and carrying a cross, over the crossing of which is placed a circle.

On reverse: "The conterpart of an old lease grannted to John Brocke of the mylls," an initial, and "The Mannor."

1529. 6th June. On the death of Magister Iohannes Colles, Magister Bernardus Traves priest, in the person of Lord Ricardus Henson, was admitted Vicar of Hurberton, on the presentation of the Dean and Chapter.

1530. 28th March. On the resignation of Magister Bernardus Traves, Lord Ricardus Crispyne was admitted Vicar of Horberton, on the presentation of the Dean and Chapter.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxviii. 1529. The following is in duplicate.

These indentures made at Great Tottenes in the county of Devon on the fifteenth day of August in the twenty first year of the reign of King Henry the eighth, between Iohannes Voyse of Tottenes of the one part and Iohannes Tokyn of the other, witness that Iohannes Voyse for the sum of five *libri* six *solidi* and eight *denarii* paid to him by the said Iohannes Tokyn has granted one close of his land in Little Totenes called Glase Hele. To possess the same from the festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist to the end of eighty years. Paying annually fifteen *solidi* sterling.

Witnessed by:

1 Walterus Smyth; 2 Willelmus Hokemore; 3 Iohannes Symon *alias* Swaddall; 4 Iohannes Frenche provost of the town aforesaid; 5 Iohannes Davy (*Satrap*) Mayor of the town aforesaid (the word *satrapa* means Lord-Lieutenant or Governor), and many others.

Dated the day year and place above mentioned (15th August, 1529).

The one deed is signed "per me Iohann' Voyse." The other is signed "this ys my syne Iohann' Tokyn'."

On reverse in English: "Voyses lesse to Token of Glussehill."

Appended by parchment tag to each a well preserved seal. That of Iohannes Tokyn, a shield with two bars, three roses in chief. The seal of Iohannes Voyse, a large I surmounted by a coronet.

Mr. Edward Windeatt in his list of the Mayors of Totnes, published in the Western Antiquary, Vol. ix, gives James Blackhall, Mayor in 1528, as continuing in 1529, and Walter Smith 1530. Perhaps the name for 1529 was missing, but according to the above should be Iohannes Davy.

Tot. Pr. Deed clxxxix. 1533.

In the name of God Amen. I John Broke of London mercer beyng in parfyte mynde and memorye the VIIIth day of Octobre in the yere of our lord XVXXXIII (1533) make thys my laste will and testament. First and before all thinges I bequethe my soule unto allmyghty god and to our lady sainte mary and to all the holly companny of hevin and my body to be buryed in christen manner buryall for my Executoure I make Armynell my wife and John Eccleston Grace and Wyllyam Marre to be as ancester.

Item I bequethe unto Armynell my said wife all my landes and leases to her use during her life after her deceas to be distributed amongst my childerne at the discrescion of my said executours.

Item I bequethe unto Johane Harvye my sister XX *lib* and a blacke gowne.

Item I bequethe unto John Brooke my brother at the commyng out of his yeres XII*li* XIII*s*. IIII*d*.

Item I bequethe unto Agnes Taylour of Wynclesey XL*s*.

Item I bequethe Godherd my prentise XX*s*.

Item I bequethe Leonard my servannte XX*s*.

Item to mother Garret of Craniebroke wydowe XX*s*.

Item I bequethe unto my father XX*s*. and a gowne.

Item I bequethe unto John Eccleston abovesaid a blacke gowne and for his paynes XL*s*.

Item I bequethe unto Wyllyam Marre a blacke gowne.

Item I bequethe to Elisabeth Rannocke my servant X*s*.

And all The Resydewe of my goodes my debts paid and the legacies fulfillyd to be to my wife and my children.

In wytenes wherof I the said John Brook have subscribed this my last will and sette my seale the day and yere above wrytton.

Item more I bequethe and forgyve my brother Wyllyam Brook XII *lib* so that he discharge me against maister Dennham.

Item more I bequethe unto my said brother Wyllyam childerne X*li*.

Item I bequethe unto Dorathie Brooke V*li*.

Item to Barthilmew Brooke V marks.

Item I bequethe to Ellyn Broke XL*s*.

Item I bequethe to Thomas Broke my brother XL*s*.

Per me John Broke.

Appended to above:

Thomas Archbishop of Canterbury under date 21st October, 1533 at Lamehith granted probate to Armanilla widow and to John Eccleston executors.

Part of a large seal still attached bears representation of the martyrdom of Thomas à Beckett. The seal of Archbishop William Warham (1504-1532), representing the murder of Beckett is to be seen in the British Museum collection of ecclesiastical seals (case M). It is evident from the above that Archbishop Thomas Cranmer (1533-1556) used the same seal as his predecessor.

Dr. Oliver (*Lives of the Bishops of Exeter*, fo. 85) thinks that the spirited representation of the saint's martyrdom in a nodus of the vaulting of the nave of Exeter Cathedral may have been borrowed from the obverse of the seal of Stephen Langton, the renowned primate of Canterbury (1207-1229).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxc. 1534.

Indenture (in duplicate) made 25th January in the XXVth year of King Henry VIII (1534) between Armenell Brooke wedowe of John Brooke and Leonard Yeo citezen and mercer of London. Armenell sells to the said Leonard alle and singuler suche lynnen clothe called holand clothe goodes wares and merchandises whatsoever they be that late were of the said John Brooke in the kepyng of Richard Iarves citezein and mercer of London: and also alle goodes of John Brooke within the parties of Flannders Braband Holand or Seland and also alle right titles, etc., in an aley called Popyngay aley in the parisshe of St. Bride in Flete strete of London by reason of a lease of the grannte of the Abbot and Covent of

the Monastery of Sisietur: and also all interest and termes of yeres in tenementes and shoppes as be sett within the parisshe of our lady of the Bowe of London by virtue as well of oon lease of the grannte of the Pryor and Covent of Saint Mary Spyttell without Bisshoppesgate of London: also of oon other lease of the grannte of the Pryor and Covent of the monastery of Ely: also all interest in land, etc., in Sussex:—for two hundreth poundes sterlinges at the Feest of Seint Michell th archanngell next comyng after the date of these presentes. (signed) Wylford.

An inscription in Latin further adds that the seals below were fixed in the presence "of me Ricardus Caroll".

The one indenture is signed "per me Armynel Broke," the other "By me Lenard Yeo mercer."

The seals are attached to parchment tags which have been cut from other deeds and are closely written on in Latin. The seal of Leonard Yeo is a circular impression, a little over half an inch in diameter showing the double cross of Lorraine or of the Knights Hospitallers; under the arms of the lower bar, enclosed in small circles, the letters L. Y. The seal of Armenell Brooke, only part of which is left, shows an ornamental capital A.

At the time of the ecclesiastical valuation made in 1535-36 a Leonardus Yeo clericus was Rector of Huysshe in the Deanery of Toryton.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxci. 1534

To all trewe Xpen people, etc., Rychard Gresham citezein and mercer of London sendeth greating, etc.

He gives full power to Walter Marsshe to prosecute his claim upon the estate of John Broke, late deceased, for 120*lib*, as per indenture dated 12th March in the twenty-fourth year of Henry VIII.

Dated 26th day February XXV year of K Henry VIII (1534). (signed) "Worsopp" "per me Rychard Gresham mercer."

The seal, unfortunately broken, shows what is probably intended for the five-armed Christian monogram, surmounting letters undecipherable.

The above deed is doubtless by Sir Richard Gresham, father of Sir Thomas Gresham, founder of the Royal Exchange. He was born at Holt about 1485, whence his father removed to London, and apprenticed him to a mercer. In 1507 Richard Gresham was admitted to the freedom of the Mercers' Company. Four years later he is recorded as lending money to Henry VIII. From 1536 to 1539 he was Alderman for the ward of Walbrook, and in 1537 was elected Lord Mayor and knighted. He died at his house at Bethnal Green, 21st February, 1549. His tomb in

St. Lawrence's perished in the Great Fire of London (*London Town*, by W. W. Hutchings, fo. 130).

Tot. Pr. Deed cxcii. 1534.

An indenture in duplicate made the 27th October in the 26th year of K. Henry VIII between William Byllyngesley citezein and haberdassher of London and Leonarde Yeo citezein and mercer whereby the seid Leonarde William Byllyngesley and Antony Marler haberdassher and Richarde Grymes haberdassher at the request of Leonarde Yeo acknowledged before Christopher Askew knyght maire and th aldermen of London stand bounden to George Medley Chamberleyn of London in £220 for the sure payment of two hundred and thirteen poundes sterling to be paid to Mary, John, Thomas, Roulande, William and Armenell children of John Brooke.

And the seid William undertakes to pay Leonard £14 yearly "for the kepyng and fyndyng of the seid orphans."

(signed respectively) "By me Lenard Yeo mercer." "per me Wylliam Byllyngsley."

Tot. Pr. Deed cxciii. 1534.

Be it known that I Ricardus Bolles of Hawe in the county of Lincoln esquire have given to Leonard Yeo of Hatherley in county of Devon gent all that my third part of the manor of Northewysshe in the said county of Devon and also my third share in the advowson of the church of Northewysshe which I have in common share with Margareta Davers and Thoma Whitington esquire. And I appoint Thoma Yeo and Iohannes Yeo my attorneys to act in my name. In witness of which I have appended my seal.

Dated 29 day of October in the 26th year of Henry VIII (1534) signed "per me Rycardum Bollys."

On reverse in English: "Thes be the record at the taking possessyon 1 Thomas Yeo 2 Iohan Yeo 3 Umffrye Yeo the sones of the sayed Thomas and 4 Rychard Powys of Hewyeshe 5 John Cave 6 Edmond Noyell 7 Wylliam Morcome and 8 Edmond Yeo of Hatherle w . . . other the possessyon delyver to the weche in names Lenard Yeo by the which maner John Yeo the VIIth day of January the XXXVI yere of the Rene of our soverne lorde Keng Harry the VIII in the presence of those persons above wrytten in the ba . . . in the tenement of Thomas Yeo.

Impression of appended seal undecipherable.

Either possession was not obtained until ten years after agreement to purchase, or the date in endorsement is an error, January in the twenty-sixth year (i.e. 1535) being the more likely date.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxciv. 1535.

Thys indenture trypartyted made the first day of Februarye in the XXVI yere of the reigne of our sovereigne lord Kyng Henry the VIII (1535) betweene George Medley Chamberleyn of the Cytie of London on the one partie; John Ecclyston grocer one of the executors of the testament and last will of John Broke citezen whyle he levyed and mercer of London on the second partie; and Leonard Yeo and Armonyll his wyffe, etc., on the third partie.

George Medley received the deeds concerning the lands "of John, Marye, Thomas, Rouland, William and Armonyll chyldren of the said John Broke and orphanes of the seid cytie."

"and the seid evydence shall remayne in a certeyn chest lyenge within the chamber of Guildhall of London and the seid chest havinge three severall locks to be fast and suerly lockyed with three severall keyes" to be in the keeping of the Chamberlain, John Eccleston and Leonard Yoe respectively.

Signed "by me George Medley camer." "per me John Ecclyston grocer."

Appended two seals. Under George Medley's signature a very small impression of the Virgin and Child, about three-eighths of an inch diameter.

Under John Ecclyston's signature a seal five-eighths of an inch diameter enclosing a combination of symbols, the letters I N on either side; a 4 with arm crossed surmounts the base of a triangle inverted which is overlaid by a right angle; the inverted apex of triangle rests on a tau cross.

The schedule of deeds attached, it is interesting to note, has no reference to any land in Devonshire; it is endorsed by the three parties 6th July, 1537.

The above deed illustrates the care taken of the children of a citizen of London, the Chamberlain of the city being apparently a recognised guardian of such.

VALOR ECCLESIASTICUS.

1535.

On the 30th January in the 26th Henry VIII at Westminster a mandate was issued for valuation to be returned to the Treasury of all ecclesiastical

possessions spiritual and temporal. For the county of Devonshire the writ is addressed to the following: To the Mayor of the city of Exeter, Sir Willelmus Courteney, Sir Thoma Denys, Sir Edwardus Pomerey, Sir Ricardus Greynvile, Sir Philippus Champernen; Bartholomeus Fortescue, Andrea Hillersden, Ricardus Hals, Iohannes Gilbert, Rogerus Blewet, Humfridus Prideaux, Hugo Pollard, Thoma Syddenham, Alex' Wood, Ricardus Pollard, Iohannes Harries, Hugo Yeo, Willelmus Symondes, Iohannes Hull; Iohannes Forde de Asheperton auditor, Iohannes Southcote de Bovetracy auditor, Adam Williams auditor, Thoma Buyfaunce of the city of Exeter auditor, and Iohannes Thomas auditor.

1536. A certificate is returned dated Easter Term 27 Henry VIII by Iohannes (Veysey) Bishop of Exeter, Iohannes Brytnell Mayor of Exeter, Sir Willelmus Courtenaye and Sir Thoma Denys; Iohannes Hulle, Willelmus Symons; Iohannes Ford and Iohannes Southcote auditors.

Among the spiritual sources of income in the jurisdiction of the Bishop is—

"for the confirmation and benediction of the Abbats and Priors		100*s.*"	
The Dean and Chapter received—			
from Hurberton with the glebe land there	30*li.*		
an annual pension from the church of Stokenham		100*s.*	
from the Archdeacon of Totton	6*li.*	3*s.*	4*d.*
Among the items of annual expenditure occur—			
to Henricus Denys Esquire receiver his annual fee	9*li.*		
to Iohannes Southecote seneschal of all their manors his annual fee		33*s.*	4*d.*
to Thoma Docton auditor his annual fee		30*s.*	
The Chancellor of the Cathedral received from the Rectory of Stoke Gabriell	23*li.*		
The Archdeacon of Exeter received from various sources less expenses	60*li.*	15*s.*	8*d.*
The Archdeacon of Cornwall	50*li.*	6*s.*	3½*d.*
The Archdeacon of Barnstaple	48*li.*	19*s.*	8*d.*
The Archdeacon of Totton	37*li.*	19*s.*	3½*d.*
made up as follows—			

Georgius Carewe Archdeacon of Totton receives—

from the procuration of the churches within the Archdeaconry	28*li.*	0*s.*	8*d.*
from fees of wills	6*li.*	2*s.*	6*d.*
,, inductions to benefices		20*s.*	
,, a certain pension in Warlond			12*d.*
,, sinodaticum and cathedraticum	13*li.*	3*s.*	11½*d.*
,, processionalium		21*s.*	2*d.*
Total	49*li.*	9*s.*	3½*d.*

pays—

to the Bishop of Exeter and his successors sinodaticum		33*s.*	4*d.*
,, Dean and Chapter an annual pension	6*li.*	3*s.*	4*d.*
,, Vicars Choral ,, ,,		73*s.*	4*d.*
Total	11*li.*	10*s.*	

Among the temporal possessions of the College of Vicars Choral of the Cathedral occur—

from lands and tenements in Warlond (written "Warlong")	46*s.*	2*d.*
from lands and tenements in Bryxham	52*s.*	7*d.*

Among the payments from their total income occur—

to the Archdeacon of Totton and his successors an annual pension		12*d.*
,, the Prior of Totton and his successors an annual pension	2*s.*	
,, Iohannes Lord Fitz Waren and his heirs for a chief rent of the said lands and tenements in Warlond annually	8*s.*	1½*d.*
,, Robertus Screch seneschal there his annual fee	8*s.*	4*d.*
,, Edmundus Sture bailiff there ,, ,, ,,	20*s.*	

Among the spiritual possessions of the College is recorded—

from the Archdeacon of Totton	73*s.*	4*d.*
,, the Vicar of Hurberton	26*s.*	8*d.*

The Abbey of St. Mary of Buckfast received under the heading "Manor of Engleburne" from copyhold tenants in *Totnes* Aisheberyngton Churston as well as Engleburne 10*li.* 7*s.* 2*d.* and 1lb. of wax.

Among the spiritual possessions of the Priory of St. Nicholas Exeter is a certain annual pension 6*s.* received from the Prior of Totton and from the Vicar of Brodeclist for tithes of all lands of the barton of Aysshclist.

Valuation of Brodeclyst in the Deanery of Aylysbeare.

The vicarage since Petrus Caselegh clerk has been perpetual Vicar there, let to Barnabas Seynthyll for three years commencing at the festival of St. Michael 26 Henry VIII, the expenses annually are 11*s.* 1*d.* as follows—

to the Bishop of Exeter for his procuration		9*d.*
,, Archdeacon of Exeter	2*s.*	3*d.*
for sinodaticum and cathedraticum annually		16*d.*
to the Prior of St. Nicholas and his successors a pension	2*s.*	4*d.*
,, Abbess of Syon and her successors annual pension	4*s.*	5*d.*

Leaving a total valuation of 26*li.* (the sources of income are not recorded).

Valuation of Loddiswyll. Vicar, Ricardus Pryst.

The vicarage there is worth annually for sanctuary land	9*li.*	0*s.*	4*d.*
for wool and lambs	6*li.*	9*s.*	0*d.*
for interest on money (*pro feno*)		10*s.*	
for an annual pension or augmentation of the rectory of Slapton annually	2*li.*		
for all other tithes and oblations belonging to the vicarage	9*li.*		
Paid to the Archdeacon for procuration		6*s.*	8*d.*
for sinodaticum		3*s.*	8*d.*
to the Bishop for annual visitation		2*s.*	2½*d.*
to Richardus Prior of Totnes and his successors an annual pension of		6*s.*	8*d.*
Nett income	26*li.*	0*s.*	1½*d.*

Valuation of Brixham with the chapels of Kyngiswere and Churston. Vicar, Georgius Carewe (who also held the rectory of Stokefleming worth 31*li.* 6*s.* ½*d.* and the rectory of Lydford worth 15*li* 13*s.* 7*d.*)

The vicarage is worth annually for tithes and oblations	23*li.*		
for fish	17*li.*		
for wool and lambs	11*li.*	13*s.*	4*d.*
for all other tithes	4*li.*	10*s.*	8*d.*

To Sir Edwardus Pomerey and his heirs an annual rent	2*s.*	4*d.*
„ the Prior of Totton and his successors an annual pension	26*s.*	8*d.*
„ the Archdeacon of Totton for procuration	6*s.*	8*d.*
for sinodaticum	4*s.*	6*d.*
„ the Bishop of Exeter for visitation	2*s.*	2½*d.*
„ Iohannes Newland bailiff and receiver annually	26*s.*	8*d.*
Nett income	52*li.* 14*s.*	11½*d.*

Valuation of Totnes. Vicar, —— Ielys.

The vicarage is worth annually 8*li.* received as annual pension from the Prior of Totnes.

for all tithes and oblations	100*s.*	
Paid to the Archdeacon of Totton' for procuration	6*s.*	8*d.*
„ „ for sinodaticum	2*s.*	5*d.*
for the visitation of the Bishop annually	2*s.*	2½*d.*
Nett income	12*li.* 8*s.*	8½*d.*

Valuation of Hurberton with the chapel of Halwill. Vicar, Ricardus Cryspyn.

The vicarage is worth annually with sanctuary land and all other tithes and oblations belonging to the said vicarage and is thus let by indenture for a term of three years to David Sage	51*li.*	
Paid to the Dean and Chapter of Exeter as annual pension	26*s.*	8*d.*
to the Archdeacon of Totton' for procuration	6*s.*	8*d.*
for sinodaticum	2*s.*	5*d.*
to the Bishop for visitation	2*s.*	2½*d.*
Nett income	49*li.* 2*s.*	0½*d.*

Valuation of the free chantry of St. Edmund on the bridge of Totton'. Chaplain Iohannes Ryder.

The chaplain there receives annually from certain lands and tenements in Totnes	4*li.* 13*s.*	4*d.*

Valuation of the free chantry of Waysshebourne Bawson in the parish of Hurberton. Chaplain Thomas Capeston junior.

The Chaplain there receives annually from certain lands and tenements in the manor of Waysshebourne	115*s.*	5½*d.*
Paid to Willelmus Burgyn the seneschal there	2*s.*	
„ Willelmus Parre the bailiff there	5*s.*	

Valuation of Aysshepryntón. Rector, Ricardus Weston.

The rectory is worth annually with sanctuary land and with all tithes and oblations and is thus let by indenture to Alanus Belfyld and Karolus Stokeford clerk for the term of five years and thus for leases of five years during the life of the said Ricardus Weston	30*li.*		
Paid to the Archdeacon for procuration		6*s.*	8*d.*
for sinodaticum		2*s.*	10*d.*
,, ,, Bishop for visitation annually		2*s.*	2½*d.*
,, ,, Prior of Totnes and his successors an annual chief rent		6*s.*	8*d.*
Nett income	29*li.*		19½*d.*

Valuation of the Priory or Abbey of Corneworthy. Prioress Avisia.

Spiritual possessions.

The rectory of Corneworthy worth annually for tithes	11*li.*	11*s.*	2*d.*
for wool and lambs		40*s.*	
for all other tithes and oblations		79*s.*	4*d.*
Paid to the Prior of Totnes and his successors annual pension		13*s.*	
to the Archdeacon of Totton for procuration		5*s.*	
for sinodaticum		2*s.*	5*d.*
to the Bishop for visitation annually			20*d.*
Nett income	16*li.*	8*s.*	5*d.*
The rectory of Claweton worth annually with tithes of sheaves and all other tithes and oblations and is thus let by indenture to Iohannes Haddon senior for the term of five years	14*li.*	13*s.*	4*d.*
for sanctuary land thus let by indenture to Antonius Blakedon for the term of his life		66*s.*	8*d.*
Paid to the Archdeacon of Totton annually		5*s.*	
for sinodaticum		2*s.*	5*d.*
to the Bishop for visitation annually			20*d.*
Nett income	17*li.*	10*s.*	11*d.*
The rectory of Marlond worth annually with tithe of sheaves and all other tithes and oblations and is thus let by indenture to Iohannes Magge for the term of seven years	4*li.*	13*s.*	4*d.*

Paid to the Archdeacon (left blank) for procuration		5*s.*	
for sinodaticum		2*s.*	5*d.*
to the Bishop for visitation annually			20*d.*
Nett income	4*li.*	4*s.*	3*d.*

Temporal possessions.

The manor of Corneworthy.

Rents of free assize and copyhold tenants annually	13*li.*	17*s.*	2*d.*
from barton land there annually	12*li.*		
from land taxes together with perquisites of court and other profits average			9*d.*
Nett income	25*li.*	17*s.*	11*d.*

Lustlegh.

Rents there from a certain parcel of land received there			
from Iohannes Caselegh		6*s.*	8*d.*
from Iohannes Dover		8*s.*	
Nett income		14*s.*	8*d.*
From which is paid			
to Iohannes Adams seneschal there his annual fee		6*s.*	8*d.*
to Iohannes Peny receiver ,, ,, ,,		26*s.*	8*d.*

Valuation of the house or priory of the Blessed Marie of Totton in the deanery of Totton and in the diocese of Exonia.

Record made of the value of all manors, lands, tenements, rectories, vicarages, pensions, tithes, oblations, and of other emoluments within the realm of England whilst Ricardus Prior of the house and of the church of the blessed Mary of Totton within the archdeaconry by right of the said monastery is now in possession even as afterwards will be fully shown—

Temporal possessions.

	£	s.	d.
Manor of Aysshepryngton.			
Rents of assize both of freehold and copyhold tenure annually	34	6	2
From perquisites of court and other profits of the manor in ordinary years		15	10
From which is paid to Iohannes Somayster and his heirs for the rent of a stream running over his land to the mill of the said prior		1	0
(The first item should probably read £24 6*s.* 2*d.*)			
Nett income	25	1	0

Manor of Bryxham.						
Rents of assize of freehold and copyhold tenure annually	9	14	8			
From fines of lands with perquisites of court and other profits of the manor in ordinary years annually		5	10			
From which is paid to the Prior of Trewardreth in Cornwall and to their successors for tithes of the sheaves of Woodhuyssh annually		8	0			
Nett income				9	12	6
Garston and Totton.						
Rents of assize of freehold and copyhold tenure annually	5	7	6½			
Rents of assize of holdings by indenture as well as at will annually	7	12	8			
For the mill farm annually		10	8			
				13	10	10½
Garston.						
Rents of assize of the farm there annually				5	0	0
Volaton (*alias* Folaton).						
Rents of assize of the farm there annually				9	0	0
Stert.						
Rents of assize of the farm there with one meadow called "Priours Mede" and "le Marshis" with one garden attached to the said monastery annually	3	0	0			
From which is paid to Iohannes Stephans rector of Dertyngton and to his successors for tithe of the aforesaid farm annually		10	0			
To the Warden of the house of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Totton and to his successors for chief rent annually	0	0	6			
To the Warden of the church of Totton aforesaid and to his successors for chief rent annually	0	0	2			
To the Mayor and town of Totton and to his successors annually	0	0	4			
To the Master and his associates and to his successors of the King's College in Cambridge						

called "God's Howse," for a certain annual pension there	2	0	0			
Nett income					9	0
Manor of Brode Clyst and Exon.						
Rents of assize of freehold and copyhold tenure by indenture and at will annually	5	13	4			
From which is paid to the Prior of Saint Iohannes within the city of Exeter and to his successors for chief rent annually		4	0			
To the Mayor and community of Exonia and to his successors for chief rent annually		1	0			
Nett income				5	8	4
Total of all temporal possessions				68	1	8½
From which is paid to Iohannes Gilbert chief seneschal of all the possessions of the aforesaid priory for his fee annually	1	6	8			
To Willielmus Huckemore under-seneschal for his fee annually		13	4			
To Willielmus Franckelyng general receiver of all the aforesaid possessions for his fee annually	2	0	0			
To Andreas Hillersdon auditor of all the aforesaid possessions for his fee annually	1	13	4			
				5	13	4
Nett total of temporal possessions				62	8	4½

Spiritual possessions of the aforesaid Priory of Totton.

Vicarage of Bryxham.						
(The Priory) receives an annual pension of				1	6	8
Vicarage of Loddiswyll.						
(The Priory) receives an annual pension of					6	8
Prioress of Corneworthy.						
(The Priory) receives from the Prioress an annual pension of					13	0
Rectory of Totton.						
The rectory there is worth annually with tithes greater and lesser as follows—						
From Iohannes prior of Plympton annually		6	8			

From the Warden of the Vicars College of Kalender Hay annually		2	0			
From Henricus Fortescue Esquire of Ermyngton annually		8	0			
From "Seynt Mary Doole" annually	1	0	0			
(In a special commisson of 13 Charles I entry occurs of "a portion of tithes called the Mary Dole in the parish of Marlboro' belonging to the Rectory of Totnes." *Exchequer Q.R.* 5420, Devon. Record Office).						
From Sir Petrus Eggecomb: annually		15	2½			
From personal tithes of the parishioners of Totton annually	15	0	0			
For all other tithes and oblations belonging to the aforesaid rectory annually	5	11	9			
From which is paid to the Archdeacon for procuration annually		6	8			
For synod tax (sinodaticum)		2	5			
For visitation to the Bishop annually		2	2½			
Nett income				22	12	4
Rectory of Brodeclyst.						
The tithe of sheaves there is worth annually and is let out to farm by indenture to Iohannes Crugge for a term of years	47	0	0			
From which is paid . . . to the Abbess of Syon and to her successors for tithes of the land of Clyst annually		8	10			
To the Prior of Saint Nicholas of Exonia and to his successors for tithes of the domains of Est Clyst annually		4	8			
To the Archdeacon of Exonia and to his successors for procurations annually		4	6			
For the synod tax (sinodaticum) there annually		3	4			
For the visitation by the Bishop of Exonia and to his successors		1	6			
	1	2	10			
Nett income				45	17	2
Total of all spiritual possessions of the Priory of Tottonia				70	15	10

Repayment of pence.						
Paid to the Vicar of Tottonia and to his successors for an annual pension	8	0	0			
To various poor in gifts on the day (*in die cene*) of the Lord provided for by the founder there annually		5	0			
To the Rector of Dertyngton and to his successors annually for the tithe of the firm of Stert		10	0			
Total of allotments				8	15	0
Total of all possessions spiritual and temporal of the aforesaid monastery				124	9	2½
Of which the tithe is				12	8	11¼

Hooker in his "History of Exeter" records incorrectly "Priory of Totnes blacke monkes of the order of the Cliusens founded by the Anncestors of Edgcombe suppressed A° xxviii Henry VIII valewed at xxiiii*l.* ix*s.* ii*d. ob.*" The monks of Totnes were Benedictines, the founder was not an ancestor of the Edgcombe family, the 28 Henry VIII was 22nd April 1537-1538 and in the value given the c is omitted and should read cxxiiii*l.* "Priory of Trewerdreth founded by (blank) suppressed A° xxx Henry VIII vallewed at cxxiii*l.* ix*s.* iii*d.*"

Valuation of the Priory of Tywardreyth in the Deanery of Poudre of which the Lord King is patron (*fundator*).

(In the cases of other Priories the original founders are quoted in the Valuation such as Bishop Willelmus Warwest for Bodmyn and Launceston and the College of Carantok, Bishop Bartholomew as founder of St. Germans, Bishop Walter Good of the College of St. Thomas in Glasnay near Penryn and the Archdeacon of Cornwall as founder of the Priory of St. John the Baptist near Helston, etc., possibly the Crown was credited with the foundation because the house narrowly escaped confiscation as an alien Priory).

Temporal possessions.

The value of rents, farm lands and tenements in different domains and manors as follows belonging to or dependent upon the said Priory, i.e.—

Tremanyon with 2*s.* perquisites of the court				6*li.*	5*s.*	4*d.*
Trewardreyth	,,	2*s.* 4*d.*	,, ,, ,,	8*li.*	7*s.*	11*d.*
Trenante	,,	8*d.*	,, ,, ,,	11*li.*	13*s.*	8*d.*
Gredyowe	,,	2*s.* 10*d.*	,, ,, ,,	10*li.*	5*s.*	4*d.*

Austell	with 8*d.* perquisites of the court	3*li.*	7*s.*	
Fentregan		3*li.*	11*s.*	1*d.*
Porthea Prior	,, 8*d.* ,, ,, ,,	5*li.*	11*s.*	9*d.*
Fowy	,, 3*s.* 6*d.* ,, ,, ,,	1*li.*	11*s.*	10*d.*
Seynt Anthony		1*li.*	4*s.*	4*d.*
	Total	51*li.*	18*s.*	3*d.*

Value of profits arising from the sale of wood or underwood in the aforesaid domains and manors nil

Spiritual possessions.

The value of the farm of tithes of sheaves situated and lying in various towns and parishes as follows belonging to or dependent upon the said Priory, i.e.—

In Seynt Blasy, Tywardreyth, Seynt Sampson, Lalyvery Treveglos and Warbystowe	36*li.*		
,, Fowy	9*li.*	3*s.*	4*d.*
,, Austell	23*li.*	7*s.*	6*d.*
,, Luxulyan	9*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*
,, Antony	5*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*
	83*li.*	4*s.*	2*d.*

The value of pensions from various domains belonging to the said Priory, i.e.—

Luxulyan	2*li.*	13*s.*	4*d.*
Austell	2*li.*	13*s.*	4*d.*
Lanlyvery	2*li.*	13*s.*	4*d.*
Lostewithiell	1*li.*		
Altilagium from Tiwardreyth and Seynt Sampson average	7*li.*	13*s.*	8*d.*
Total	16*li.*	13*s.*	8*d.*

Total value of spiritual and temporal possessions 151*li.* 16*s.* 1*d.*

From which is deducted the fees of seneschals auditors and bailiffs as follows—

Sir Iohannes Chamond chief seneschal	3*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*
Iohannes Tregian and Thoma Coke auditors	3*li.*		
Iohannes Kympthorne seneschal of the court there	1*li.*		
To the same Iohannes Kympthorne bailiff of Porthea		13*s.*	4*d.*
Willelmus Kendall bailiff of Fowy	1*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*
Total	9*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*

(Sir Iohannes Chamond served as chief seneschal also to Bodmin and Launceston Priories: the policy of the religious houses was doubtless to thus enlist the sympathy of the most powerful or influential in the neighbourhood. On the other hand the mandate for Cornwall was addressed to Sir Petrus Eggecombe, Sir Iohannes Chamond and Sir Hugo Trevenyan and the above mentioned chief seneschal is the first signature to the return for the county sent to the Exchequer).

Annual and perpetual pensions paid.

To the Vicar of Tiwardreyth for his yearly pension	14*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*
,, Willelmus Huchyn for pension or corrody by grant of the Lord King annually	3*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*
,, maintenance of one lamp there in the church by grant of the patron		6*s.*	8*d.*
Total	18*li.*	0*s.*	0*d.*
To the Archdeacon for sinodaticum and procurations annually	1*li.*	0*s.*	2*d.*
Nett annual income	123*li.*	9*s.*	3*d.*

Valuation of Antony in the Deanery of Keryer.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tywardreth			nil
The vicarage there is worth in both greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebeland and excluding 4*s.* 0½*d.* paid to the Archdeacon for procuration and sinodaticum	4*li.*	15*s.*	11½*d.*

Valuation of Lanlyvery in the Deanery of Poudre.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tiwardreyth			nil
The vicarage there is worth in both greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe and excluding 2*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* paid to the Priory of Tywardreyth annually	13*li.*	6*s.*	8*d.*

Valuation of Luxulyan in the Deanery of Poudre.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tywardreyth			nil
The vicarage there is worth in both greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe and excluding 2*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* paid to the Priory of Tiwardreyth annually	10*li.*	0*s.*	0*d.*

Valuation of Fowy in the Deanery of Poudre.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tywardreyth	nil
The vicarage there is worth in both greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe and the exclusion of 3*s.* 2*d.* annually paid for sinodaticum and procuration	10*li.*

Valuation of Austell and Blasy in the Deanery of Poudre.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tiwardreyth	nil
The vicarage there is worth in both greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe and the exclusion of 2*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* paid to the Priory of Tiwardreyth annually	21*li.*

Valuation of Lostewithiell in the Deanery of Poudre.

The vicarage there is worth in both greater and smaller tithes with the exclusion of 20*s.* paid to the Priory of of Tywardreyth annually	2*li.* 13*s* 4*d.*

Valuation of Tywardreith in the Deanery of Poudre.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tywardreyth	nil
The vicarage there is worth in greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe	9*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Valuation of Mynster in the Deanery of Trigg Minor.

The rectory there is worth in greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe and the exclusion of 8*s.* 9½*d.* paid for procuration	22*li.* 17*s.* 10½*d.*

(No reference is made to Priory lands, to the former existence of a Priory at Mynster or connection with Tywardreath).

Valuation of Treveglos and Warbustowe in the Deanery of Trigg Major.

Profits proceeding from the rectory there other than appropriated by the Priory of Tiwardreith	nil
The vicarage there is worth in greater and smaller tithes with the inclusion of glebe and the exclusion of 16*s.* 9*d.* for procuration	9*li.* 19*s.* 7*d.*

1536. 25th March. The following letter, addressed by Sir Peter Edgcumbe (Sir Piers Eggecombe, Sheriff of Devon, 1495 and 1529) to Secretary, Sir Thomas Cromwell:

After my most harty recommendacyons with lyke thancks ffor your goodnes to me att tymes shewyd, and thus ys to advertysse yow that here ys moche comunycacyon and bruts that all abbays, pryorys, and nunrys under the cler yerly valew off CC*li* shall be suppressyd nottwtstondynge hyt ys nott as yett in these parties uponly knowen the occacyon off suppressyon nor who shall take most benyffyte therby nor to whate usse hyt shall rest at lengthe. But trew hyt ys that I am by the Kynggs ffather by hys graunt to my poar ffather made to hym and hys issue male, founder of the pryory of Tottenes and the nunrye of Cornworthye in Devonsshyr, and every off them be under the valew of CC*li*. And as to Tottenes the pryor ther ys a man off goode vertuus conversacyon and a good viander and I can do lesse w^t^ my truthe and dewty but to advertysse yow off that I know trew in this causse hartely beseechynge yow so to advertyse the kynggs highnes and that I in my most umbyll maner beseche hys grace to order me in thys cause as onne that will juberd lyff and goods to do hys grace trew service and hartely besseche Allmyghty God longge to presserve hys most nobyll perssonn and yow so to serve hyss highnes. Ffro my poar howsse the day of Annuncyacyon of our Lady

Your awn

P. Eggecombe.

Mr. Secretary in case hyt be sso that the Kynggs pleass^r^ maye be by your meanys so good that the prior of Tottenes maye enjoye the spirituall promocyons and hyt wyll be no better ffor hym and hys brederen to leve on, and I to have the temporal possessyons on parte theroff the sunner ffor concyderacyons that I am ffounder off bothe howssys. I promysse yow by this my wrtynge to concyder your favor and sute as I trust to please yow, and yff ye thinck my sute not ressonabyll I refferre me and my cause only to your order under the Kynggs hyghnes above all others lyvynge and so I trust yow; and herein I hartely praye yow to know ywr pleass^r^. (*Cotton MSS. Cleopatra E. IV.*, page 258).

The spelling of this letter is given differently by Dr. Oliver in Monasticon Dioecesis Exoniensis, and Mr. Ellis, in his edition of Dugdale's Monasticon.

1536. 15th May. On the death of Lord Iohannes Trelawny, the last incumbent, Bishop John Veysey, at his manor of Crediton, admitted Keverem Kendall priest to the priory or parish church of Mynstre, on the

presentation of George Earl of Huntyngdon, Lord Hastyngs, Hungarford, Botraux and Molens, patron.

1536. 22nd May. On the death of Lord Thoma Want, the Bishop admitted Iohannes Maynarde to be Vicar of Treneglos, on the presentation of Walterus Kendall esquire, patron of the advowson by reason of the concession of the Prior of Tywardreth.

1537. 22nd April. William Gylys, Vicar of the parish church of Tottonia, made the following entry in his will:

I bequeth to the hye store of our Blessed Lady for my name to be set yn Seynt Georgys beed roll X *solidi* and my grette pricked song boke. Item I bequeth to the store of Jesus VIs. (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.*, fo. 239).

7th May. On the death of Magister Iohannes Ielys, the Bishop, at Clyst, admitted Christophorus Cannon priest as Vicar of Totton, on the presentation of Ricardus Yarde esquire, patron.

31st October. On the death of Kieranus Kendall, the Bishop, in his palace at Exeter, admitted Robertus Swymmer priest as Rector of Mynster, Cornwall, on the presentation of Willelmus Kendall esquire the advowson being granted to him by the patron, George Earl of Huntyngdon, Lord Hastyngs, Hungarford, Botraux and Molens.

31st December. On the death of Iohannes Arscott, the Bishop, at his palace of Exeter, admitted Iohannes Colyns, Master of Arts, to be Rector of Pyworthy, on the presentation of Margareta Countess of Salisbury, patron.

1538. 5th March. On the death of Kineranus Kendall clerk, the Bishop, in his palace of Exeter, admitted Ricardus Baker priest as Vicar of Tywardreth, on the presentation of King Henry VIII, Defender of the Faith, etc.

1539. 13th March. The Bishop, in his palace at Exeter, admitted Ricardus Henese clerk (by Anthony Harvye esquire, his proxy) Rector of Pyworthy, on the presentation of the most excellent prince in Christ Lord Henry VIII.

14th August. Sir Peter Edgecombe, son and heir of Sir Richard Edgecombe, died. His will was proved 15th September following. His son and heir, Richard, was then aged forty (*Mon. Dioc. Exon.* A.S., fo. 20).

27th October. The Bishop conferred upon Ricardus Powndeslegh priest the chantry of the Blessed Mary at Waysheborne, presentation having devolved, etc.

1540. 11th January. On the death of Lord Stephanus Knyght priest, the Bishop, in his manor of Clist, admitted Thoma Munday *alias* Wannys-

worth priest (in the person of Iohannes Harrys, his proxy) Vicar of Lanlyvery, on the presentation of Nicholaus Kendall esquire, vice-patron, the said advowson having been granted by the Prior of St. Andrew of Tywardreth, the date of which is 1st September in the eighteenth year of Henry VIII (1526).

B.M. Add. MSS. No. 27,268. 1540.

3rd June. William Jelys and Roger Prouce [*sic*] wardens of St. Mary of pity Tottonys with the assent of Roger Crote then Mayor of the town of Great Tottonys and the Commonalty of the said town lease to Peter Englysh that tenement and garden outside the east gate of the town of Tottonys namely on the east side of the way (*vie*) called les Bastewallys, on the west of the tenement of William Mugge *now belonging to the King*, on the north side of the garden of the heirs of Alan Hakewyll and on the south side of the highway there. To have and to hold to Peter Englysh and Joan his wife for the term of their lives and of the longer liver. Rendering therefor to us the said wardens and our successors annually 26*s*. 8*d*. and paying to the chief Lord for Ester rent 2*d*. The lessees shall keep tenement in repair. The wardens have appointed Otto Douce (Donce?) and William Mugge their lawful attorneys to enter upon the premises and make livery thereof to Peter Englysh and Joan. The lessors, the lessees and the Mayor have appended their seals.

Witnessed by:

1 John Ielys senior; 2 John Blakhall; 3 Christopher Savery, and many others. Dated 3rd June in the 32nd year of the reign of King Henry VIII.

1540.

7th June. The Bishop, in his manor of Clist, admitted George Copleston clerk to the chantry of the Blessed Mary of Waysheborne, vacant, on the presentation of Iohannes Copleston de Copleston esquire, patron.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxcv. 1540.

A deed of two large parchment sheets with portrait of Henry VIII enthroned in initial letter recites that:—

By indenture dated 19th June 1540 at Westminster by advice of the Council of the Court of Augmentation the following properties in the parishes of Saint Germanus and Lavrake in the county of Cornwall formerly belonging to the Priory of St. Germanus were leased to Iohannes Champernon from 29th September next for twenty one years for the annual rent of £6 15*s*. 11*d*.

The house and site of the Priory together with all buildings, orchards, gardens, lands, etc.

All that meadow called Ponde mede containing by estimate two acres.

All those lands and pasture called Kethykparke containing by estimate six acres.

All those lands and pasture called Barne Parke containing by estimate three acres.

All those lands and pasture called Coes Parke containing by estimate eight acres.

All those lands and pasture called Penmans downe containing by estimate thirty-four acres.

All those lands and pasture called Threcornered Parke containing by estimate five acres.

All those lands and pasture called Southfurse parke and Northfurse parke containing by estimate five acres.

All those lands and pasture called Dear parke containing by estimate twelve acres.

And two meadows containing by estimate sixteen acres.

By indenture of same date and place the following properties in the parish of Tottnes in the county of Devon formerly belonging to the Priory of Tottnes were leased to Iohannes Champernon for twenty one years at the annual rent of £17 6*s.* 4*d.* *i.e.*

The house and site of the Priory of Tottnes by authority of Parliament suppressed and dissolved together with all houses, orchards, gardens, lands, etc., containing by estimate five acres in Totnes.

All those lands tenements and pasture containing by estimate eighty four acres called Garston.

All that pasture called Dartington containing by estimate twelve acres *in Garston* (this is doubtless a clerical error, as it is not repeated later in deed, when the properties are again enumerated).

All that pasture called Stert containing by estimate sixteen acres in Garston.

Also all the Barton or Grange of Hobaton in the parish of Totnes belonging to the former Priory of Totnes up to now occupied by Iohannes Byles at the annual rent namely—

for lands in Tottnes and Garston aforesaid £8 6*s.* 4*d.*

for the said Barton of Hobaton £9.

By the present indenture be it known that for the sum of £434 paid by Katherinan Champernon widow of the said Iohannes Champernon, Iohannes Rydgeway and Walter Smyth gentlemen all the above estates of the former Priory of Tottnes and of the former Priory of St. Germanus in

the parishes of St. Germanus and Laurake or Louroke are granted to be held for the twentieth part of a knight's fee and paying annually 13*s.* 7½*d.* for all service, etc., for St. Germanus, 24*s.* 7½*d.* for Tottness and 10*s.* for the 84 acres called Garston.

Witnessed at Westminster the 10th March in the 33rd year of King Henry VIII (1542) signed "S. Southwell," "per Mathiam Coltehirste auditer."

Appended to green and white silk cord the great seal of King Henry VIII on dark brown wax.

1541. 1st October. On the death of Iohannes Ryder, the Bishop, in his manor of Clyst, admitted Willelmus Arscott priest to the chantry of St. Edmund the Martyr and St. Edmund the Confessor upon the bridge of Totton, on the presentation of Ricardus Edgecomb esquire, patron.

Tot. Pr. Deed, cxcvi. 1542. License given by the Crown to Katerina Champernon widow of the late Iohannes Champernon and Iohannes Ridgeway gentleman to alienate to Walterus Smyth gentleman and transfer

the house site and properties of the former Priory of Totnes containing by estimate five acres.

all that pasture called Dartington containing by estimate twelve acres.

all that pasture called Stert containing by estimate sixteen acres.

which lands tenements and pastures are vulgarly known as "les demeane landes."

also in the Barton or Grange of Volaton *alias* Valaton in the parish of Totnes.

as per our letters patent dated at Westmonasterium the 10th March last (10th March, 1542).

Dated at Westmonasterium the 11th March in the thirty-third year of our reign (11th March, 1542) signed "Southwell."

Appended to parchment tag the great seal of King Henry VIII.

(Above is the deed quoted by Edward VI, on 30th June in the seventh year of his reign (1553) granting site of Grammar School.)

Tot. Pr. Deed, cxcvii 1542. 12th March. The transfer of the property formerly of Totnes Priory by Katerina widow of John Champernon and by John Ridgeway gentleman to Walter Smyth gentleman according to license granted under the great seal.

Signed and seals appended to parchment tags.

"Kateryn Champernon" a very small seal, probably of signet ring; on either side of an ornamental coil the letters C and W; the whole contained in a small shield.

"per me Iohannem Rydgewaye" the seal is about three-quarters of an inch diameter; within a serrated circle the letters I R surmount a shield; on the shield, between three peacocks' heads, a chevron engrailed, bearing three fleur-de-lis. The impression in detail is not very distinct.

(According to *Armory of the Western Counties*, the arms of Ridgeway *alias* Peccocke of Devon were:—Arg: a chevron gules engr: between three peacocks' heads erazed azur with crowns about necks coloured or: on the chevron three trefoils or).

On reverse in Latin: "Enrolled before Philip Champernon knight one of the Justices of Peace of the Lord King in the county aforesaid. Confirmed and witnessed likewise by Iohannes Southcote Clerk of the Peace in the same county on the 26th day of July in the 34th year of the reign of King Henry the eighth, etc. (1542), "per Iohannem Southcote."

Signed in large scrawl "Phelypp Champernown."

1542. 12th April. On the death of George Faryngdon clerk, the Bishop, in his palace at Exeter, admitted Petrus Maynwaryng clerk, in the person of Oliverus Maynwaryng gentleman his proxy, Vicar of Bury pomeroy, on the presentation of Henry VIII.

Tot. Pr. Deed, cxcviii. 1543. Receipt dated 26th June, 1543, for £521 7*s.* 0½*d.*

In English [*sic*]:

This bill indented made the XXVI daye of June in the XXXV yere of our soveraigne Lorde Kinge Henry the VIII witnesseth that I Sir Edward Northt knight trasurer of the augmentations of the Revenues of his gracious crowne have receyved of Walter Smythe the somme of five hundreth twentye and one pounds seven shillings and one half penny sterling in full contentacion satisfaction and payment of and for the gifte grannte and above purchase of the manor of Garston and Totton with their appurtenances and also of the manor of Brixham als Upton in Brixham with their appurtenances which are in the Countie of Devon parcell of the possessions of the late monasterye of Totnes in the said Countie of Devon together with the woods growing upon the premyssis or by the King's highness letters patents in that behalf to be made under the great sealle of Englande were at large yt shall and may appear. In wytnesse whereof to these presents subscribed in my haude I have putte my sealle the daye and yere above wryten.

On a seal appended to strip of parchment cut from deed is a shield surmounted by crest apparently a helmet: the shield appears to be quartered, but the impression is too indistinct to determine the device.

Tot. Pr. Deed cxcix. 1543.

Henry VIII, etc. Be it known that we for 6 *solidi* and 5 *denarii* have given to Ricardus Andrewes and Nicholas Temple those mesuages lands, etc., in Halstok within the parish of Okehampton formerly belonging to the monastery of Tavestoke now dissolved and they are permitted to transfer to Leonard Yeo gentleman (*generosus*), etc., etc.

Witnessed by me myself at Walden on the 10th September in the 35th year of our reign (1543) signed) "Tregonwell."

Appended the Great Seal of Henry VIII, nearly five inches diameter.

On reverse in English: "Licence of alienation grannted to Richard Andrues and N. Temple."

Tot. Pr. Deed cc. 1543.

Ricardus Andrewes of Hayles in the county of Gloucester esquire and Nicholaus Temple greeting, etc., for the sum of twenty *libri* sterling paid by Leonard Yowe gentleman to me Ricardus Andrewes we have transferred by license of alienation dated the 4th July in the 35 year of K. Henry VIII all those mesuages lands, etc., etc., situated in Halstocke in the parish of Okehampton formerly belonging to the monastery of Tavestock; the same to be held for the twentieth part of a knight's fee and the annual rent of 2*s.* 1½*d.*

And moreover we appoint Iohannes Yowe gentleman and Willelmus Loves yoman our attorneys.

Dated 20th October in the 35th year of K. Henry VIII (1543).

(signed) "enrolled by Matthiam Coltehirste auditor."

(signed and sealed) "per me Ricardum Andreys."

Attached to parchment tag a well preserved impression of round seal about five-eighths inch diameter with capital letters R. A.

(signed and sealed) "by me Nycholas Temple."

Attached to parchment tag a well preserved seal about half an inch diameter, an elaborate fleur-de-lis design.

On reverse in English: "Memorandum that the last daye of October in the XXXVth year of the reigne of our soverigne lorde Kinge Henry the eight the possession and season of the mesuage landes and tenements within wrytten was delyvered by the attorneys within namyd unto the within wrytten Leonarde Yowe accordinge to the tenor and effecte of thys deade in the presences of John Alworde, Wylliam Hopar of Ockehampton

the elder, John Caner the elder of Hatherley, John Bowdon, John Cadynge, John Whyte and Water Horrell of Halstock with dyvers others.

On reverse in Latin to the effect that this deed was presented to the Bench of Rolls in St. Michael's term in the XXXVII year of King Henry VIII (*circa* 29th September 1545).

A duplicate extract of decision in court.

Tot. Pr. Deed cci. 1544.

At Westminster in Easter term of the 36th year of King Henry VIII before Iohannes Baldewyn, Willelmus Shelley, Thoma Willoughby and Humfridus Broun justices: between Leonard Yeo gentleman petitioner and Ricardus Bolles esquire and Iohanna his wife concerning the third share of the manor of Northewysche and concerning the third share of twelve mesuages, two hundred acres of land, one hundred acres of meadow, two hundred acres of pasture, one hundred acres of wood, eighty acres of furze and heath, and twelve *solidates* of rent in Northewysche as well as the advowson of one third part of the church of Northewysche. Plea of covenant was summoned between them. Ricardus and Iohanna acknowledged the property to be the right of Leonard since he has them by gift of the aforesaid Ricardus and Iohanna and they quit claim him and undertake to warranty the aforesaid advowson against the Bishop of Lincoln. And for this Leonard gave the aforesaid Ricardus and Iohanna eighty marcs silver.

The Bolles family were of Lincolnshire (see below, *Tot. Pr. Deed* cciv); this explains the clause of warranty.

Tot. Pr. Deed ccii. 1544.

To all the faithful, etc., Walterus Smyth of Totnes marchannt greeting. Be it known that for certain considerations and according to the charter of license of King Henry VIII dated 13th May 1544. I have granted to Thoma Frenche, Henricus Kerswille and Martinus Rogett the site precincts, etc., formerly of the Priory of Totnes and all mesuages, gardens, orchards, etc., and one meadow and one marsh lying in Dertyngton and Totnes and all those lands, etc., called le Sterte lying in Totnes and Dertyngton. To hold the same for the work and use of me the aforesaid Walterus Smyth for the term of my life and after my death for the work and use of Barnardus Smyth my son and the heirs male of the said Barnardus and in default of such issue to the use of the rightful heirs of me the aforesaid Walterus Smyth subject to the Lord of that fief for rent and service due. Moreover I have appointed Willelmus Hakewille and

Ricardus Every my attorneys. In witness of which I the aforesaid Walterus Smyth as well as the aforesaid Thomas Frenche, Henricus Kerswyll, and Martinus Rogett have appended our seals. Dated on the eighth day of October in the thirty-sixth year of the reign of Henry the eighth (1544).

"yn the presens of John Rydgeway, Nicholas Smyth and John Peter yn witness whereof the said persons have subscribed this dede" (signed in three different hand writings names of witnesses as above).

Appended to parchment tags three well preserved seals of the three trustees.

Under the signature "Thomas Frynsh" an impression five-eighths of an inch diameter, a very simple shield carrying three marks too blurred to be decipherable.

Under the signature "Henricus Cersswell," an impression about half an inch diameter enclosing a small shield, of that type with curves described about the sides of an inverted equilateral triangle, bearing three bars and a bend from sinister chief to dexter base.

The third trustee Martinus Rogett has apparently made a cross in lieu of signature, the small impression, possibly of a signet ring, may be intended for the small figure of a man seated, facing sinister and holding in raised hand a stick, perhaps an artist at work.

1557. Walter Smith occurs *Inquisitions post mortem C.*, Vol. 105, 19; 2-3 Philip and Mary.

1593. Barnard Smith occurs in *Inquisitions post mortem C.*, Vol. 236, 59; 35 Elizabeth.

1545. In Latin: "The homage of Thomas French and others for the tenements site and precinct formerly belonging to the Priory of Totnes done" (Roll cxvi, *Originalia*, 36th Henry VIII, p. 3, Devon).

Tot Pr. Deed cciv. 1544. Indenture made the 28th October in the 36th year of King Henry VIII (1544) between Richard Bolles esquire of Hawe in the county of Lincoln and Leonarde Yeo gent of Hatherley Devon by which the former sold the latter his share in the manor Northewysshe and his share in the advowson of the church which he held together with Margaret Davers and Thomas Whityngton esquire, for the sum of fifty pounds.

Jane, wife of Richard Bolles, is mentioned.

signed "per me Rycardus Bollys."

Seal attached to parchment tag bears the letters R B.

Tot. Pr. Deed cciii. 1545.

The first instance of use of paper in this series of deeds; it bears the watermark of a jug with ornamental lid. The date when Totnes Priory Deed lxxx., page 141, was written on paper is not known, but in 1431 (see p. 362) a deed was written at Totnes on paper.

In the name of God Amen. I Armynell Yeo the wyffe of Lenard Yeo of Hatherle maketh thes my last well and testament beyeng in perffet helth and memory thanks be to God.

Forst I beqwethe my sowell to almyghty God and to all the holle company of heven and my bode to be beryed in Chester Berrall.

Item, by thes my last well I do apoynt the costode and the governans of my cheldern that I have by my ferst howseband John Broke somtyme mercer of London unto Lenard Yeo my howseband that now ys and he to have the resolveng and kepeng of soche proffett of ther londs and goods weche was welled unto them by the well of ther sayed Father John Broke unto soche tyme as thaye shal be of ffull age to entor unto hyt themselff and my sayed howseband to the my seed chelderns use and to be contabull to them when thay come to the ffull age and thay to alow my sayed howsebande ffor all soche thengs as he shal be stow uppon theme in ther ssendeng and bestowyeng in bendeng them prentis or other charges leed owt by my sayed howsband ffor the deffens of onny of the londs or goods ffor onny them or tytell temted or made by the lawe detoreng ther sayed nonage. It wher my howseband John Broke by his last well welled that I his wyff shold have the destrewbytong of hes londs and leses amongst his cheldern and myne by the decessyon of me I well that the sayed Lenard my howseband that now ys have my holle power and strenth in the devydeng of the sayed londs goods and lesses unto my sayed cheldern by hes desecessyon and thaye to be contented with all where yt be moche to one of theme or lettell to another as he shall thenk yt most mettest and after as he shall se them thryveng in wetnes of the trethe I the sayed Armynell hathe cawsed thes my last well to be wrytten and I have sette my hande and seell the VIII day of July Anno Domini XV & XLV (8th July 1545) per me Armynel Yeo and the XXXVIIth yere of Keng Henry the VIII.

Endorsed: "my wyfs well Arminell Brok."

Sealed by a piece of the paper being turned over the sealing wax placed between the two thicknesses and the imprint being made through the paper. The impression is that of a classic figure nude seated and facing dexter, with one arm extended.

Chester Berrall possibly signifies to be given Christian burial.

Tot. Pr. Deed ccv. 1545.

To all the faithful, etc., Robertus Hakewell greeting. Be it known, etc., that I have given to Iohannes Cogan a certain annual rent of twenty *solidi* derived from my mesuages, lands and tenements in Great Totnes [*sic*] and Ayssprynngton in equal portions at the festival of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, of Saint Michael the Archangel, of the Nativity of the Lord and of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin. If the payment is at any time in arrear the said Iohannes Cogan is licensed to levy distraint on the said mesuages, etc. In witness of which thing I have appended my seal. Dated on the first day of April in the thirty-sixth year of the reign of King Henry the eighth, etc., etc. (1st April, 1545). (Below in margin) "be me Robert Hackewyll."

On reverse in Latin: "Signed and delivered in the presence of Iohannes Gaverock and Ricardus Knyght." In English, "Robert Hakewyll an owete of XXs. . . ."

Appended to parchment tag a small round seal with clear impression of shield carrying, on a chevron between three fleurs-de-lis, three spurs (small bulbs with two-pronged projection). The shield is between the letters I. W.

The seal was evidently used by Robertus Hakewell, Hackewyll or Hakewyll as witness signature in margin, but it is not apparent to what the letters I W can refer. There is no record of the arms of Hakewell, but under Hackwood is given: Arg. on a chevron sab.: three escallopps of the first (*Armory of the Western Counties*, fo. 84).

Tot. Pr. Deed ccvi. 1545.

Confirmation of the transfer by Richard Bolles esquire and Iohanna his wife (in Indenture this name is given as Jane) of the third part of the manor of Northewysche for the sum of eighty marcs silver.

Dated 22nd April 1545 at Westminster by I. Baldwyn.

A cutting in parchment from which a large tag has been torn suggests that the great seal of England was originally attached to this deed.

Tot. Pr. Deed ccvii. 1545.

An undertaking by Iohannes Clerk of Waltham Crosse in the county of Hertford chapman to pay Leonard Yoe citizen and mercer of London and Arminelle his wife 5 *libri* sterling. Dated 6th May, 1545.

1586.

A Leonard Yeo occurs *Inquisitions post mortem C.*, Vol. 210, 115; W. & L. Vol. 21, 183; 28 Elizabeth.

1545.

In the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office is this record in Latin: Totnesse. Letters patent of the King licensing Catherine Champernon

to part with the Priory of Totnesse in the county of Devon to Walterus Smyth. *Mich. Rec.* 37 Hen. VIII, Roll xl.

As this took place on 11th March, 1542 (see *Tot. Pr. Deed*, cxcvi), this entry in the rolls is either somewhat belated or the record is bound up or arranged under the wrong year. There seems no reason to doubt the original deed in Mr. Hole's collection, especially as the date is approximately the same (13th March) in the charter of Edward VI.

It is obvious that license was granted for the sale on the 11th, the transfer took place on the 12th, and the King magnanimously received part of the property he had confiscated as a gift from the purchaser on the 13th March, 1542, a remarkable record of appropriative genius.

Blackhall Collectanea, No. 27. 4th December, 1545.

Be it known that I Walterus Smyth gentleman for the sum of 10 *libros* sterling paid me by Walterus and Thoma Hornebroke have transferred all that my cottage (*cotagium*) in Blakemore within the manor of Hurberton which Isabella Barkelegh widow formerly held. To have and to hold to the aforesaid Thomas Hornebrooke and Elisabeth his wife during their lives with reversion to Iohannes Hornebroke their son paying 13*s.* 4*d.* annual rent, as well as 10*s.* as heriet or farlen, as well as service at my Court of Garston twice yearly. And I shall be permitted to enter and take any growing timber, etc., and the tenants shall maintain in repair, etc. Clause of warranty. I have appointed Iohannes Franke and Walterus Cyston my attorneys. We the above parties have appended our seals. Dated 4 December in the 37th year of King Henry VIII by the grace of God, etc., and supreme head in the land of the Anglican and Irish church.

Appended three seals in red wax about half an inch diameter. The first bears what are probably the letters T. H. The second a merchant mark. The third probably a female head facing dexter.

On reverse of deed in various hands: "Garston," "Thomas Hornebroke off Blackemore." "This leasse for ferted where uppon I . . . brother John Gifford made . . . by William . . . a lesse to Nicholus . . . Robert." "Blackmore Harberton a lease for 3 lives."

14th February, 1546.

Tottnes. The chauntrie there (of St. Edmund). Founded by William de Kantilupe. For the maintenance of a pryste to saye masse and praye for his sowle in a chapell at the west end of ye bridge of Totness, distant from the paryshe church . . . rodds or thereabouts. The yereleye

value of the lands and possessions 7*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.* (Public Record Office, *Chantry Roll*).

The guylde called Jesus guylde. Founded by . . . To fynde a pryste to praye for the brethren and benefactors, and to helpe to mynystre in ye parish church of Totnes. The yerely value of the lands and possessions 6*l* 4*s.* 8*d.*

The guylde called our Ladye's guylde. Founded by . . . To (find) a pryst (to maintain) God's service and to pray for ye donars of the lands and other the brethren, etc., in the paryshe church of Totnes. The yerelye value of the lands and possessions 7*l.* 12*d.*

The hospytall called the Maudelyn. Founded by . . . For the relief of XI lazare and sycke peple who have besyds theire mansyon house certayn lands. There is abiding at this present in the hospytall 8 pore lazar peple which be more than the profytts of the lands belonging to thaforsayd hospital is able to susteyn. Notwithstanding, if any be brought, they be receyved untyll the sayd nomber of XI be fullye completed. The yerelye value of the lands and possessions 115*s.* 8*d.* (*ibidem*).

30th June, 1553.

Original in Latin. Abbreviated English translation.

The King to the Mayor and Burgesses of the borough (*burgi*) of Tottnes, etc.

Walterus Smythe gentleman on the 13th March in the 33rd year of King Henry VIII (1542) granted to the said King the whole land near the parish church of Tottnes and near the cemetery of the same where formerly the Priory of Tottnes now destroyed (*modo prostratus*) was situated and built on account of the necessity for accomodating and making wider the cemetery of the aforesaid parish church and of newly building and extending the edifice of the parish church.

Which land lies on the north side of the parish church and contains by estimation in width to the west end namely from the stone wall near and opposite the said parish church on the south side as far as a certain stone wall or boundary there on the north side ninety six feet and so by the same following the same wall and boundary on the north side just as the same stone wall or boundary on the north side leads from the west as far as the east. And which land contains by estimation in length from the west end as far as the east end two hundred and ninety seven feet just as the same land is enclosed and shown by the stone walls and other limits metes and bounds.

The same King to have and enjoy the whole of the aforesaid land bounds, etc., with the intention that the same land, etc., should be used as part of the cemetery and of the parish church of Tottnes just as fully appears in the charter enrolled in the Court of Augmentations and Revenues of the Crown.

And now on behalf of the Mayor and citizens of the borough of Tottnes it appears to us lately shown and suggested that the house of the Guildhall (*Guihalde*) of the same borough is so small that it is little suited nor does it suffice for the meeting of the aforesaid Mayor and citizens and that within the said land given by Walterus Smyth are various ancient and ruinous buildings for various purposes and proposed by the Mayor and citizens in the following manner to convert them to the greatest need. We therefore grant to the aforesaid Mayor and citizens the said land and ancient houses built thereon. To have and to hold, etc., And moreover by our special favour concede that they may build, at their will, different houses on the aforesaid land given by Walterus Smythe since we wish that one of them be converted into the Guildhall of the Borough (*Guihaldam Burgi*) of Totnes also one of those buildings we wish to be converted into the prison of the Borough for placing in the same and keeping in safe custody delinquents within the aforesaid Borough and other buildings to be used for teaching and instructing boys, the remaining and all buildings in this manner to be converted by the aforesaid Mayor and citizens as from time to time they arrange according to their discretion.

We grant also to the same Mayor and citizens that they may meet in the same Guildhall and ordain laws, etc., for the preservation of health, etc., etc., just as their predecessors within the Borough were accustomed to do, etc., without any molestation by any of our subjects, etc.

Witnessed at Westminster on the 30th day of June. (*Patent Roll*, N. 861,
1553. 7th Edward VI, Part ii, m. 5).

Edward VI died on the 6th of July 1553, so that the above deed was issued less than a week before his death in his sixteenth year, and Totnes Grammar School was probably the last of many established by this youthful King.

1553. Totness, here remained only £3 6*s*. 8*d*. in Charge in Annuities, and nothing in Pensions.

Pensions paid to Incumbents of Chauntries, etc. Anno 1553:

Ashprinton. To Christopher Canon incumbent 4*l*.

Totnes upon the Hill. To William Riscotte incumbent 6*l*.

Totnes. To William Bowdon incumbent 5*l.*

Totnes, St. Marys. To Christopher Canon incumbent 5*l.* (*History of Abbies*, by Browne Willis, Vol. ii, fo. 66).

1559. Sir Piers Edgcumbe conveyed the manor of Great Totnes to the Corporation at a reserved rent of £21 per annum and a burgessship to his heirs for ever. The grandson of Sir Richard Edgcumbe sold the barony to Lord Edward Seymour of Berry Castle son of the Duke of Somerset; John Seymour sold it in 1655 to William Bogan Esq. of Gatcombe. In 1726 the widow of Bogan sold it to John Taylor who devised it to his son James; in 1753 James sold it to Bartholomew Jeffery whose nephew and heir, George Jeffery, merchant of London, in 1764 sold it to Edward Duke of Somerset, from whom it has descended to the present Duke (*Trans. D. Assoc.*, Vol. xii, fo. 163).

1535-36. The following list of churches in the Archdeaconry of Totnes, with their Incumbents and Archidiaconal charges at the time of the Valor Ecclesiasticus may be of interest as showing the relative importance of the livings and the few instances of incumbents holding more than one benefice. Although the orthography of the Valor Ecclesiasticus is followed, the parishes being grouped in deaneries can readily be recognised. The valuation in 1288, given for comparison with that taken two and a half centuries later, is known as the Taxation of Pope Nicholas IV (see p. 189). A valuation of the diocese was also taken in the second year of Bishop Redmayn's bishopric (A.D. 1496) and is preserved at the Record Office (*Misc. Books, Aug. Office*, Vol. 489).

ARCHDEACONRY OF TOTNES.

Deanery of Hallyssworthy (Holsworthy):

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation* 1288.			*Valuation* 1536.			*sinodaticum.*		*procuration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Aysshewater	R Nicholaus Weston	12	13	4	26	6	8	2	5	6	8
Blaketoriton	R Iohannes Yeo	8			22	8	8½	2	5	6	8
Bradford	R Thomas Broune	4			13	8	4	2	5	5	
Bradworthy with Wyke St. Pancracii chap.	V Iohannes Broune	24			25	5	4½	2	5	6	8
Brygruell	V not given	7	13	4	14			2	5		
Bukyngtone		1									

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation 1288.*			*Valuation 1536.*			*sinodaticum.*		*procuration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Clautone	R under Cornworthy Priory	6	13	4	17	10	11	2	5	5	
Halwill	R Thomas Broune	4	2		12	3	8½	2	5	5	
Hallysworthy	R Iohannes Arscott	13	6	8	32		3½	2	5	6	8
Hollacombe	R Ricardus Poundley	16	6	8	4	6	3	1	5		
Loffyngcote	R not given	1			5	6	8	proc.	4		
Milton Damarell with Cokebury chap.	R Iohannes Trelawny	13	6	8	26	13	5½	2	5	6	8
									7		
Putford West	R Andrew Michell	4	2		9	10	11	2	5	5	
Pyworthy	R Iohannes Arscott	9	16	8	27	8	2	2	5	5	
Sutcombe	R Simon Atkyns	5			17	10	6	2	10	5	
Tetcote	R Ricardus Wodethorpe	4	6	8	13	16	8	1	11	5	
Tornebury	R Iohannes Coke	4	13	4	11	3	10	2	5	5	
Trewyn	cant. Nicholaus Geyst				7	10					
Deanery of Ipelpen:											
Abbotis Carswill	V Iohannes Potkyns	4			11	1	2	2	5	4	
Brixham with Kyngiswere chap. with Churston chap.	V Georgius Carewe	19	6	8	52	14	11½	4	6	6	8
Bury Pomerey	V Georgius Faryngdon	13			18	19	5½	3	3	6	8
Denbury	R Walterus Michell	6			12	7	3	2	5	3	
Hempston Brode	V Richardus Middelmore	6	6	8	25	6	8	2		3	
Hempston Parva alias Arundell	R Thomas Wood	2	16	8	19	15	1		7		
Ipelpen with Woodland	V Oliverus Smyth	6			26	2	½	2	5	6	8
Paynton with Marledon	V Robertus Weston				52	1		—		—	
St. Marychurch with Carswill Regis with Coffyns Will	V Nicholaus Manwaryn	13	6	8	31	11		(peculiar)			
Staverton	V Adam Traves	11	6	8	32	14	8	(peculiar)			
Stokeflemyng	R Georgius Carewe	10			31	6	½	2	5	6	8
(this rectory is entered in the Deanery of Totnes in 1288.)											
Stoke Gabriell	V Thomas Cartwrith				16	11	8½	—		—	

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation* 1288.			*Valuation* 1536.			*sinodaticum.*		*procuration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Torbrian	R Ricardus Kytson	4	13	4	20	14	7	2	5	5	
Torre mohun with Cokyngton	R under Torre Abbey	6			43	6	10¾	—		2	10
Wulburgh	R under Torre Abbey	3	6	8	20	10	10½	—		2	5
Deanery of Morton:											
Aysshberton with Bukelond chap. with Bukyngton chap.	V Thomas Sotharne	13	13	4	38	8	9½	(peculiar)			
Bovy North	R Robertus Wymerley	8	10	11	22	10	3	2	5	5	
Bovy tracy	V Robertus Byssh	14	15	4	26	2	½	2	5	6	8
Hanoke	R (Hemiocke) under Torre Abbey	17	13	11	10						
Ideford	R Ricardus Graunt	3	7		17	13	9	2	5	4	
Ilsyngton	V Olyverus Smyth	19	12	4	17	9	5½	2	10	6	8
Kyngesteynton with Hywyke	V Iohannes Keyton	22	17	5	28	13	8½	3	1	11	8
Lustlegh	R Stephanus Whyte	4	13	8	16	7	2½		7	6	8
Manaton	R not given	7	6	8	13	12	7	2	5	5	
Morton	R Ricardus Parker	14			49	19	4½	2	5	6	8
Teyng grase	R not given	1	3	10	4	19	4	—		—	
Wythecomb	V Petrus Manwaryng	17	8	6¼	25	13	7½	2	10	6	8
Deanery of Okehampton:											
Aysshebury	R Henricus Pryston		13	4	5	13	4		2		
Beaworthy	R Robertus Peyrs	5	6	8	6	6		2	5	5	
Belston	R Willelmus Dyscomb	3			9		1	2	5	5	
Bratton	R Ricardus Weston	16	6	8	21	5	½	2	5	6	8
Brodewode Kelly	R Willelmus Lupton	4	5		19	7	4	2	5	4	
Ekysbourne	R Iohannes Hunt	4			27	11	8	2	5	5	
Hatherlegh	V Willelmus Spalden	8	13	4	20			2	5½	6	8
,, (Fraternity of St. Mary)	chap. Thomas Meryfyld				7	15		—		—	
Honychurche	R Simon Hopkyns		13	4	6	7	8		2		
Inwardlegh	R Iohannes Cole	6	6	8	16	11	3	2	5	5	
Northlewe	R Nicholaus Bond	7			27	8	8½	2	5	6	8

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation 1288.*			*Valuation 1536.*			*sinodaticum.*		*procuration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Okehampton Monke	R Ricardus Cobham	2			6	14	5	2	5	4	
Okehampton Vicar	Iohannes Holwell	14	13	4	20						
Sampford Courteney with Brightlegh	R Iohannes Parkehowse chap.	18			47	12		2	5	6	8
Stawe St. Jacobi	R Ricardus Crabbe				11	4	3	2	5	5	
Stekelpath	cant. Willelmus Dyscombe				8	4	7	—		—	
Wyke Sci Germani	R under Frethylstok Priory	4			9	16	½	2	5	3	4
Deanery of Plympton:											
Cornewode	V Thomas Sothorn	7	6	8	33	4	5½	2	5	6	8
Ermyngton	V Iohannes Coffe	12			33	11	1½	3	8	6	8
,,	½R Antonius Fortescue				24			—		—	
,,	cant. Thomas Bamford				5	4	4	—		—	
Herford	R Walterus Hele	4	2		11	14	4½	1	3½	4	
Hewysshe	R Leonardus Yeo	5			29	18	11	2	5	4	
Holbeton	V Iohannes En'row	10			24	1	6½	2	10	6	8
Modbury	V Iohannes Hunt	12			19	10	11½	2	10	6	8
Nuton Ferrys	R Iohannes Dulyng	6	13	4	45	12	1	2	10	6	8
Plymmouth with St. Budoc	V Edwardus Wygan	9	13	4	25	10	9	3	3	5	
with St. Pancras' Plympton	under Plympton Priory	33	6	8	80						
SS. Peter & Paul with Plymstoke	chap. ,, ,,				62						
with Wenbury	chap. ,, ,,				43	13	4				
with Brixston	chap. ,, ,,				30						
with Shagh	chap. ,, ,,				21						
with Sampford Spyney	chap. ,, ,,				9	6	8				
Uggeburgh	R Adam Traves	20			76	11	1½	2	5	6	8
Yalmeton with Revelstoke	V Iohannes Keyton chap.	15	6	8	35	19	4½	2	10	6	8

Deanery of Tamerton:

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation* 1288.			*Valuation* 1536.			*sinoda-ticum.*		*procu-ration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Bereferres	R Willelmus Willoughby	8			24	1		2	5	6	8
Bokelond Monacorum	V Ricardus Hals	6	16	8	19	8	8½	2	5	6	8
Byckelegh with chapel	V Willelmus Colles	6			11	4	9	2	5	4	
Ekbuckelond	V Willelmus Lympeny	3	13	4	8	4	3	2	5	5	
Mewy	R Thomas Hardyng	5	6	8	13	4	10½	2	5	6	8
Stoke Damerell	R Nicholaus Mannewaryng	3	6	8	18	18	9	2	5	4	
Tamerton	V Willelmus Cosyn	4			12	7	7	2	5	5	
Tamerton Folyet	cant. Walterus Way	2			6			—		—	
Tavy St. Mary	R Willelmus Dynham	3	6	8	14	5	7	2	5	4	
Tavy St. Peter	R Willelmus Denyell	4			17	1	8	2	5	5	
Walkehampton	V Willelmus Colles	4			9	14	7	2	5	5	
Whitechurche	V Willelmus Drake	6	13	4	16	5	4½	2	5	6	8

Deanery of Tavystock:

Bradston	R Robertus Bagbeare	2	13	4	6	7	2	2	5	3	
Brodewodewygger	V Iohannes Bawdon	13			8	3	4	—		—	
Brydstowe	R Radulfus Oldam	18	13	4	32	17	9½	2	5	6	8
with Sourton	chap.							1	1		
Coryton	R Rogerus Bedowe	2			8	13	7	2	5	3	
Dunterton	R Iacobus Seriannte	1	10		8	6	11	2	5	3	
Kelly	R Iohannes Towell	2	13	4	9	8	9	2	5	3	
Lamerton	V Henricus Hawkyns	10			13	2	½	2	5	6	8
Lewtrancherd	R Willelmus White	3	6	8	9	13	7	2	5	3	
Lydford	R Georgius Carewe	1	10		15	13	7	2	5	3	
Lyston	R Iohannes Waryn	10			31	2	9½	2	5	6	8
Marystowe with Thurselton	V Robertus Harryson	12			12	16	½	2	5	6	8
Milton	V Henricus Hawkyns	11	10		19	13	6½	2	5	6	8
Sidenham	R Willelmus Drake	2			10	6	6	—			7
Stowford	R Thomas Tom	2	13	4	11	12	3	2	5	4	
Tavystock	V Willelmus Launder	16	13	4	10	17	3½	—		—	
Virgynstowe	R not given				5	6	8	2	5	—	

Deanery of Totton:

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation 1288.*			*Valuation 1536.*			*sinodaticum.*		*procuration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Aysshepryntoн	R Ricardus Weston	10			29	1	7½	2	10	6	8
Blakaveton	V Willelmus Rondell	13	6	8	15	8	8½	2	5	6	8
Brent	V Walterus Southcot	8	3	4	29	14	4½	2	10	6	8
Bukfastlegh	V Nicholaus Page	6	6	8	19		10½				2
Corneworthy	R Corneworthy Priory	6	13	4	16	8	5	2	5	5	
Dene Pryor	V Philippus Freer	6			21			2	10	5	
Dertyngton	R Iohannes Stephyns	6			36	4	3	2	5	5	
Dupford	R Iohannes Alger	6			29	2	½	2	5	6	8
Dyttysham	R Thomas Fabyan	8			34	14	10½	2	2	6	8
Holl (Holne)	V Iohannes Poter	5	6	8	8	5	3	1	1	4	
Hurberton	V Ricardus Cryspyn	13	5		49	2	½	2	5	6	8
with Halwill	chap.										
with Waysshebourne	cant. Thomas Capeston jun^r				5	8	5½				
Rattre	V Gilfr'us John	6	10		14	9	11½	1	½	2	2½
Stokeflemmyng	entered in the Valor Ecclesiasticus as in the deanery of Ipelpen										
Totnes	V —— Ielys	13	6	8	12	8	8½	2	5	6	8
with St. Edmund on the bridge of Totton	cant. Iohannes Ryder				4	13	4				
Townestall	V Simon Rede	12	6	8	12	15	4½	2	5	6	8
with St. Saviour's	chap.										

Deanery of Woodleigh:

Alyngton East	R Antonius Fortescue	6			32	2	½	2	5	6	8
Alvyngton West	V Willelmus Pyckyngham	38	13	4	62	16	10	2	5	6	8
with Malburgh	chap.							2	5	6	8
with Milton	chap.								7		
Aveton Gifford	R Rogerus Hewet	8	13	4	38	1	7	2	10	6	8
,, ,,	cant. Iohannes Edwardis				7	14	4	—		—	
Bygbury	R Iohannes Cole	8	13	4	28	7	10½	3	3	6	8
Charleton	R Iohannes Godeman	4	13	4	31	8	4	2	6	5	

Valor Eccles' parish.	*Valor Eccles' incumbent.*	*Valuation* 1288.			*Valuation* 1536.			*sinodaticum.*		*procuration.*	
		l.	*s.*	*d.*	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
Churstowe with Kyngisbrigge	V Henricus Fawle chap.	3	19	4	16	16	11	3	1	5	
Dodbrok	R Thomas Parsse	2			8	11	2		2		
Loddiswyll	V Ricardus Pryst	8	6	8	26		1½	3	8	6	8
Morelegh	R Iohannes Iane	2			9	8	1		7	3	
,,	cant. Willelmus Olyver				5	2	8	—		—	
Pole	R Thomas Brian	5			22	16	4	1	7	5	
Portelmouth	R Thomas Bryan	4	13	4	29	18	4	2	5	5	
Ryddmore	R Walterus Hillersdon	4			19	10	6	2	10	4	
Slapton College	R Nicholaus Morton	6			57	8	2½	2	5	6	8
Stokyngham with Shyrford with Chulston	V Iohannes Penhay chap. chap.	37			48	7	7	2	10	6	8
Thurleston	R Ricardus Worth	4	13	4	25	9	11	2	5	5	
Wodelegh	R Ricardus Cryspyn	3	6	8	21	18	4	2	5	5	

CORRIGENDA

page 46. for "east" of Ashprington, read "west."

,, 157. for "Bishops," read "Bishop."

,, 380. for "1422," read "1442."

,, 436. Iohannes Cohne. It seems established as a result of indexing that this name Coh*ne* should read here, and subsequently, Coh*ne*: the previous last occurrence of which is Nicholaus Coheu (p. 418).

,, 473. for "old street," read "high street."

,, 550. for "Iohannes" Swete widow, read "Iohanna."

,, 577. John Eccleston Grace, this last word signifies "grocer" (see p. 581).